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Thieves con old man out of £2,000

HEARTLESS conmen tricked a 77-year-old Dudley man into believing they were water officials – and stole £2,000 while he was asked to keep an eye on a bathroom tap.

Dudley police are appealing for information that might help to catch the two men, one of whom was wearing a distinctive bowler-style hat and brown waistcoat.

They struck at the man's home in Jervis Close, Pensnett, claiming they needed to check his water supply.

One of the men ran taps in the kitchen and asked the victim to do the same in the bathroom. But while the pensioner was upstairs the pair rummaged through the house and stole £2,000.

Investigating officer, DC Tony Jones, of Dudley CID, said: "The men approached the victim's address just after 3pm and stated they were from the 'water board'.

"Unfortunately the victim didn't ask for identification or ask any questions over their authenticity. All householders need to be mindful that water boards, or indeed gas or electricity boards, no longer exist so alarm bells should start ringing if anyone claims to be from a utility 'board'."

One thief was a stocky, white, man in his 30s with short, blond hair and his accomplice is slightly taller and aged about 40."

Mast fears to be heard

MORE than 1,300 objections have been raised against plans for a 49ft phone mast next to a water tower.

Campaigners are against the application for Asdsene Gardens in Wordsley.

Residents have won their battle to get the proposals heard by planning chiefs next month. The development is next to Friar's Gorse Tower, on land owned by Severn Trent. Protesters led by Rob Mayer will get the chance to try and convince councillors to reject the plans.

£10m BUS DEPOT FOR MERRY HILL

by John Corser

TRANSPORT bosses are to invest £10 million in Merry Hill's bus station. New eco-friendly buses will be introduced and bus lanes and gates installed to allow the vehicles to jump traffic queues. The station itself will also be extended to increase capacity by 25 per cent.

£250,000 to help set up businesses

A £250,000 fund to support people setting up a business which will benefit the local community is set to be launched in Dudley. Firms can bid for a share of the Community Enterprise Fund money.

It will be launched during April and will aim to support people looking to set up social enterprises.

This support will include funding, ranging from £5,000 to £25,000, in addition to ongoing advice and support.

Leader of Dudley Council, Councillor Les Jones said: "We are always looking at ways we can make the most of the powers we have through the Localism Act in order to help people realise their ambitions.

"This innovative fund will help people get their community focused businesses off the ground and we will also offer ongoing support to help make social enterprises work."

The announcement of the Community Enterprise Fund follows the launch of Dudley's £1 million local business fund earlier this month to help give local firms easier access to finance.

It will enable firms in the area to apply for cash to be loaned at commercial rates to improve access to finance.

The fund would be administered by the Black Country Reinvention Society.

Figures show the cash could be used to support up to 40 businesses in the area, creating 30 jobs.

Half of the £10m will come from the Government and the rest will be funded by Merry Hill owners Westfield, Centro, National Express West Midlands and Rotala.

The project also aims to improve bus services going to and from the giant shopping complex and neighbouring Waterfront Business Park, where 8,000 people work.

Brierley Hill councillor Zafar Islam said: "Hopefully improving services around Waterfront will encourage new businesses to move in or, encourage employers who have left to rethink their decision to leave."

"This will help more people, especially the elderly, access Brierley Hill and the Merry Hill Shopping Centre."

"Merry Hill is one of the biggest shopping centres in the area so it is important to make it as accessible as possible. There has been a lot of investment in other bus stations in the borough, such as Stourbridge, so it is good news that Merry Hill's will be improved, too."

Reliability

Part of the scheme involves new bus lanes and bus gates in The Boulevard to improve journey times by five minutes.

There will also be a new bus-only highway link from the A4036 to improve journey times by up to eight minutes at peak times and improve reliability of services.

The improved bus station will have real time information for passengers at all stands, improved waiting facilities and lighting, better interchange and wall routes.

There will be improvements to a minimum of 40 bus stops along eight strategic routes to the shopping centre.

It is aimed at increasing the number of people travelling to the centre and business park by bus by 15 per cent by the end of 2015.

The current Merry Hill bus station receives the lowest customer satisfaction ratings in the West Midlands.

Church graves vandalised



Church treasurer John Harcourt surveys the wreckage left behind by yobs

Historic graves, some more than 200 years old, have been knocked over by yobs at a Black Country churchyard in an act of "mindless vandalism".

Nine crosses and two headstones were pulled from the ground and pushed over at St Edmund King and Martyr Church, Castle Hill, Dudley.

Church staff say the cost of repairs will not be covered by insurance – and they now face a struggle to track down relatives of the deceased.

The damage was discovered by church warden Anne Mullaney. No-one has been buried for 150 years in the grounds of the church, built in 1724. Church treasurer John Harcourt said: "This is disrespectful to the families of the people buried there, and these graves are part of the history of the town."

Insurers have told them the graves are



Mr Harcourt takes a closer look at the damage at St Edmund King and Martyr Church

the responsibility of the plot owners – but a contribution will be made to make the stones safe. Police are appealing for anyone with information on 0300 3333000.

£3.6m to improve council housing

A TOTAL of £3.6 million is to be spent fitting more than 500 council homes in Kates Hill with new windows, boilers and loft insulation.

The work follows a similar project on the Priory estate.

Work is already under way on two trial homes and the whole programme of improvements is expected to be completed in December. It is hoped it will cut the price of tenants' energy bills.

A total of 133 homes will get new windows. Wall insulation will be installed into 331 properties, almost 150 boilers will be replaced and loft insulation will be installed at around 200 homes as part of the Community Energy Saving Programme (CESP).

A survey has been carried out on each property to determine the work required and residents have been contacted to inform them.

Councillor Adrian Turner, said: "We have enjoyed successful CESP schemes across the borough over the last couple of years, including Pensnett and Priory."

"This scheme makes a real difference to our tenants as not only are their homes more energy efficient, they save money on their heating bills as well."

"I urge tenants to go and view the two pilot properties so that they can see the kind of work which will be done."

Legal move on gipsies

LEGAL action has been launched to evict travellers from an overflow car park at Dudley's Black Country Living Museum.

Eight caravans and a motor home are at the Tipper Road site in Dudley on the 12th day.

Bosses are hoping they will leave before the busy Easter holidays next week.

The museum has been holding talks with solicitors and has now launched a legal bid to get them evicted.

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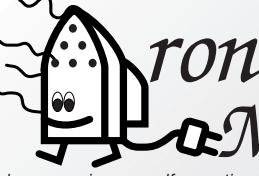
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Anxious wait for MPs over shake-up

MPs face an anxious 18-month wait to find out whether they will need to compete against each other to keep their seats.

Consultation on an overhaul that could see the number of MPs cut from 650 to 600 is about to end.

Three MPs in the Black Country could find their seats abolished if a new electoral map is created. The Boundary Commission for England

is accepting comments until April 3. It will come back in October next year with the formal proposals to Parliament for a vote.

In Sandwell, MPs could have an equal claim to each other's constituencies. A new Wednesbury seat would be made up by half of the current West Bromwich East and half by the current West Bromwich West. The rest of West Bromwich West

would come under Dudley East. It leaves Labour MPs Tom Watson, Adrian Bailey and Ian Austin potentially battling over two seats.

Mr Bailey, who would have an equal claim to Wednesbury and to Dudley East, said: "I have not yet decided where I will stand. I have the highest regard for both Tom Watson and Ian Austin and if this situation does arise I know we shall

all conduct ourselves in the appropriate manner."

Dudley South MP Chris Kelly said the review will cut the cost of politics by reducing the number of MPs and the size of the Commons and save £12 million a year.

Tory James Morris would see his Halesowen and Rowley Regis seat split between Stourbridge and Dudley South - both now Tory-held.

Driver is banned for drink offence

A HEATING engineer who popped out to get his partner heartburn medicine was caught behind the wheel at nearly twice the legal alcohol limit by an off-duty officer, magistrates heard.

Mark Hill was driving his Peugeot van "very slowly" along Dudley Road, Penknett, at about 3.15am on March 11, said Mrs Maxine Jarroosse, prosecuting.

The 30-year-old, of Hazel Road, Kingswinford, was overtaken by the off-duty officer but then started driving "aggressively", she told Dudley Magistrates Court.

Asleep

When he pulled into a nearby BP petrol station he was arrested. He registered 66 microgrammes of alcohol in 100 millilitres of blood. The legal limit is 35.

Mr David Wilkins, defending, said Hill had been asleep but was woken by his partner who had suffered recurring problems with heartburn since the birth of their one-year-old child.

He said his client, who admitted drink-driving, could lose his job if he was banned.

But magistrates disqualified him for three years, fined him £400 and ordered him to pay a £15 victim surcharge and £85 costs.

Children set for mission

MORE than 70 students and staff from Ridgewood High School, Stourbridge, have set off on a mission to Gambia.

They will take useful items donated for villagers of Kitsilo and Half Dye, as well as leading a variety of activities in local schools.

Fellow pupils and parents have given goods such as art and craft tools, pens, crayons, footballs, hair accessories, small toys, early reading books and wool for Project Gambia 2012.

Post office plea

A POST office could return to Quarry Bank after bosses vowed to look into the effect its controversial closure had three years ago after Stourbridge MP Margot James raised the matter with Postal Affairs Minister Norman Lamb. Ms James urged him to consider reopening a branch in the area.

Puppy love! How Carol's passion aids guide dogs



Carol Evans pictured 30 years ago with her first dog, Ruby, and her first litter of GUIDE dog supermum Carol Evans has raised around 250 puppies to help blind and partially sighted people over the past three decades. And the grandmother-of-six has her hands full at the moment with the latest litter of puppies born to her dog Clare in recently.

By Andrew Turton

next 12 months. Pups need to get used to as many different sounds, smells and textures as possible, to prepare them for their future role.

Trips out on buses and trains and into town centres are also invaluable to introduce the young dogs to people, she says. All the puppies then learn their final guide dog skills and the volunteers see if they can be paired with new companions.

Mrs Evans added: "I would say that a child is definitely more of a handful than 10 puppies."

"The puppies grow so quickly, they're helpless newborns to start with but once they open their eyes at 10 to 14 days old, they are up and about and independent within six weeks. Then they're off."

Rewarding

Mrs Evans, who lives with her husband, Michael, has looked after eight guide dog mums over the years.

She also cared for two German Shepherds called Tessa and Wheat and their litters had also become guide dogs. But she says she does not get upset as each puppy leaves the nest.

She said: "It is such a rewarding experience as you have the joy of the young dogs and then the joy of them going off to greater things in the future."

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Carol Evans with her latest dog, Clare



Feeding time - Clare feeds her eight puppies

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Date set for work on pipes

A £500,000 project to replace outdated gas pipes with new plastic ones in Halesowen will get under way on April 2, it has been announced.

The work, being carried out by National Grid, will take six months and two roads in Hurst Green will both be made one-way during the scheme.

At the same time, South Staffs Water workers will be replacing an old cast iron water main.

Engineers will start work to replace the old gas mains running along Gorsty Hill Road and Coombes Road.

Busy

A week later, South Staffs Water will begin 20-week project to replace their main.

National Grid project manager, Stan Best, said: "This project will be a short term inconvenience for a long term benefit."

"We appreciate that there is never a good time to close such a busy road, but we have worked very closely with South Staffs Water and Dudley Council to co-ordinate our projects which will help to keep disruption to minimum."

Dudley Council, which will will also undertake street maintenance works at the same time, has thanked people for their patience.

Lots of fun is available

ACTIVITIES have been been planned at Dudley Leisure Centre for youngsters this Easter.

Football matches, interactive dance mats, indoor bikes, computer games and T-shirt design workshops are among those on offer at the centre in Wellington Road. Events run from April 2 to April 4 from 9am to 4pm and are suitable for children aged eight to 14.

The activities must be pre-booked costing £10 per day and children will need to have a packed lunch and refreshments with them.

Nature ramble

WALKERS can get their boots on and enjoy a stroll through the nature reserve at Cotwall End, in Sedgley will take place on Saturday from 2p to 4.30pm. The Friends of Cotwall End Valley will lead it looking for the first signs of spring. Meet at the Brockswood Animal Sanctuary car park, off Catholic Lane. For details call 07849 804242.

Parents win autistic son's travel cost fight

THE parents of an autistic boy have won their legal battle with Dudley Council over free transport to and from school.

The council offered to pay travel costs for the six-year-old but only if he attended the nearest suitable school.

But that stance was challenged by his parents in 2009 and tribunal judges ruled the council should provide transport to the school his parents feel can best meet his needs - about a mile further from home.

They said the small increase in cost - £195-a-year for shared and £312-a-year for individual transport - was not unreasonable, given the educational advantages for

the boy, and was not an "inefficient" use of council funds.

The council challenged the ruling and took the case to the Civil Appeal Court in London. But last week its arguments were rejected by three senior judges.

Lord Justice Davis said the stance taken by the council was open to "very serious objections" and the tribunal's decision was right, for the right reasons.

The judge, sitting with the Master of the Rolls, Lord Neuberger, and Lord Justice Richards added the increased transport bill could not, in this case, justify "overriding" the parents' preference of where their son

goes to school. In his ruling, the judge said the boy - referred to in court only as "J" - suffers from autism and moderate learning difficulties. Although "happy and affectionate at home", his behaviour can sometimes be challenging.

His speech and language are seriously impaired and the judge added: "At pre-school, he found it difficult to follow an adult led agenda and was described as living in his own world".

The Appeal Court judges agreed with the "very significant advantage" of sending the boy to his parents' chosen school outweighed the extra transport costs.

The court's ruling means parents' chosen school will appear on their son's statement of special educational needs and Dudley must pay whatever it costs to get him to and from the school gates each day.

Richard McManus, QC, representing the council, had earlier argued: "Dudley spends approximately £2.5 million on special educational needs transport each year."

"The high cost of providing transport explains why a right of preference as to placement does not confer a corresponding entitlement to transport to that preferred placement if there are nearer alternative schools."

Thief who stole £4,200 in cigarettes is sent to prison

A MAN who raided a petrol station in Dudley and stole £4,200 of cigarettes is now behind bars after being jailed for 14 months. Adam Smith raided Wall Heath Service Station in Kingswinford in September.

by Laura Blyth

He got away in a Subaru Impreza, which had been stolen from a house in Dudley almost two weeks earlier.

Police arrested 23-year-old Smith, who was on licence, after finding traces of his blood at the service station, Wolverhampton Crown Court heard last week.

The court heard how Smith, of Oak Park Road, Wordsley, was on licence for drugs possession when he committed the offences.

Mr Rhidian James, prosecuting, told the court Smith and another unknown person broke into the service station in the middle of the night.

"They made off with £4,200 of cigarettes and caused £2,000 of damage to the shutters," Mr James said.

"CCTV inside showed there were two people who were masked.

"A blood swab was taken from the scene and it matched the DNA of the defendant."

Cocaine

He tested positive for cocaine upon his arrest.

Mr Roy Paterson, defending, told the court: "He has expressed remorse over this.

"He blames everything on his lack of employment. He is desperate to work. He realises he can't go on this way."

Smith admitted burglary and allowing himself to be carried in a stolen car.

Recorder Michael Elsom told Smith: "You are no stranger to this court.

"This offence was committed while you were on licence."

No jail for threat woman

A WOMAN from Dudley who threatened another woman with violence unless she dropped charges against a friend has been spared further time behind bars. Recorder Martin Elson told Susan Scott people who interfered with the law process usually ended up spending a long time in custody.

But he ruled at Wolverhampton Crown Court that because it had been some time since she had last been in trouble she could keep her freedom. Scott, aged 33, of Lake Street, Lower Gornal, admitted witness intimidation and she was given a year's jail term suspended for two years, placed on supervision for 18 months and ordered to attend an alcohol education and a substance abuse group.



Elle Gjoka, aged 10, and astronomy teacher Mark Townley at the science event

Students lift their sights for science

SCHOOLCHILDREN in Dudley have been learning about astronomy and made their own earthquake-proof buildings using pasta and sweets during a science day.

More than 40 pupils, aged 10 and 11, from seven primary schools in the borough were invited to Holly Hall Academy, Dudley, for the activities.

They learned about natural disasters and their impact on human life, including last year's devastating magnitude 9 earthquake and tsunami in Japan.

Cloud

They discussed how to make earthquake-proof buildings and made their own using spaghetti and jelly babies.

After a St Patrick's Day-themed lunch in the school hall, the afternoon session included building a cloud chamber to observe evidence of cosmic rays.

The activities were organised by teachers Steve Jabore and Mark Townley, who run the school's sciences club.

Mr Jabore said: "Using telescopes they also looked for remnants of the solar flares that affected earth."

NEWS

in brief

Dustbin solves prickly problem

KEEPERS at Dudley Zoo faced a prickly poser when they faced moving three crested porcupines to a new enclosure.

Assistant curator Richard Brown explained that, if disturbed, crested porcupines use muscles in their back to raise their quills to make themselves look bigger.

"When this happens they charge backwards towards their 'enemy' and can cause serious injury," he said. But the keepers persuaded them to crawl into a dustbin and then gently carried them to their new enclosure.

Children can get it the swim

PEOPLE are being urged to take the plunge and learn to swim this Easter at Halesowen Leisure Centre.

The centre's Pool Road will be running intensive swimming lessons for beginners and improvers.

A five-day course of intensive lessons for beginners aged four and over and one for children aged five and over who can swim at least 10 metres.

Both courses will run from April 2 to 6. There is a fee for the sessions. For details telephone the baths on 01384 812800.

Holiday football coaching offered

FOOTBALL coaching sessions will be held during the Easter holidays at Goals Soccer Centre, Dudley, from April 2 to 13 between 9am and 3pm.

General manager Gareth Cheadle said: "This is a great opportunity for youngsters to develop their skills over the holiday times." For details call Goals Soccer Centre on 0121 561 3000.

Libraries to get new computers

ALMOST 50 computers are being installed in libraries across Dudley to replace outdated machines to allow visitors to access the library catalogue and the internet.

The remaining PCs which were new in 2009 are also being updated with new software and additional memory.

Police meeting

A POLICE and Communities Together meeting will be held for residents of the Belle Vale area of Halesowen on April 4 at Windsor High School, starting at 7pm.

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BY MY reckoning, based on the schedule issued this week, the Olympic torch will be passing through drought-stricken East Anglia at about the time the region is officially declared a fire hazard.

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DRACULA'S Castle. Does it need a revamp?

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CAN we please ditch the silly old stereotype of all pensioners being poor? Many, of course, are hard-up. But thousands of retired folk are among the most financially secure people in the country. That is why Chancellor George Osborne is levying his "granny tax" on some of the better-off, and good luck to him. Even at my great age, my sympathies are with younger people desperate to get started in life, not with pensioners who think that having two Saga cruises a year is some sort of human right.

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RIGHT decision, wrong reason. Judge Aiden Marron ordered a Muslim woman wearing a full veil to withdraw from a jury in London on the grounds that he needed to see her face while he was talking to the jury. But surely the real issue goes deeper than a judge's desire to see the faces he is addressing. It is that every English jury comprises 12 people and the system works only if the jury throughout the trial is the same 12 people. The juror in the burqa could be Surinder on Monday but Nigel on Tuesday.

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AS FAR as I am aware our judicial system has only ever allowed one person to wear a mask and that was the public executioner.

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THAT great national treasure, Nicholas Parsons, now 88, complains that age is a target for gags by people who would never dream of making jokes about gender, race or disability. But age is not the only free-fire zone for comics. People with ginger hair are still regarded as fair game. What a blessing it is that you can be old or ginger but rarely both.

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I AM still puzzled by last week's menu for the Camerons' state dinner at the White House which included: "Shaved breakfast radish." Seriously, who eats radish for breakfast and how do you shave one?

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THE Church of England is presumably drawing up the advert for Rowan Williams's successor: "The ideal candidate must understand that, while he will lead a Church based for 2,000 years on principles such as humility, obedience, chastity and self-denial, any attempt by him to defend those principles will be seen as reactionary, discriminatory and quite outrageous. (Please note: In view of the prestigious nature of this appointment, women need not apply)

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THAT showbiz veteran Davy Jones who died last month is fondly remembered by a reader who was working at the Grand Theatre, Wolverhampton, in the 1980s when Jones appeared in the touring production of Godspell. He recalls the Monkees star was "friendly, unassuming and very much prepared to mingle and chat." It is a golden rule of journalism that if you want to know what stars are really like, don't talk to their agents, their PR people or their fans. Talk to the theatre staff.

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Future use of hall remains a riddle

MYSTERY surrounds the future of a former charity centre in Stourbridge - which used to serve hundreds of meals a week for elderly people - after it was sold.

Carlisle Hall, in Victoria Street, had been the base for the charity WRVS to run services, including meals-on-wheels.

But the centre, just off Stourbridge Ring Road, shut last March

due to high running costs. Now it has emerged that the hall, which was on the market for £185,000, has been sold.

The building had been given to the people of Stourbridge by benefactor Ernest Stevens.

It had been once belonged to a trust managed by the forerunner of Dudley Council until 1956 when the freehold was transferred to WRVS.

Ward councillor Nic Barlow said it was a shame the WRVS had to close the building last year but he hoped it had a future.

He said: "It is a unique building within the town and has been there for a long time but we just don't know what is now going to be done with it.

It would have been nice if WRVS had been able to find an alternative

use for the building for people in this part of the borough. It has some nice features including stain glass windows so it will be interesting to find out what will become of it."

Around 150 meals were cooked daily at the centre with 70 people volunteering to support services each week but bosses were hit with £50,000 annual running costs for the meals on wheels service.

Reveller had knife hidden in his pants

A MAN who headed to a nightclub with a knife clipped to his boxer shorts as "protection" has been ordered to do 200 hours of community service.

Michael Francis was a passenger in a car that was pulled over by police in King Street, Dudley on March 10 at about 1.10am.

Francis, who admitted possessing an offensive weapon and possessing a class B drug, was given a 12-month community order at Dudley Magistrates Court.

After smelling, cannabis officers searched the car and Francis, of Sutton Crescent, West Bromwich, was suspected of "concealing something".

When he was searched at the police station he admitted having a knife clipped to his boxers, Mrs Maxine Jarrouse, prosecuting, said. Cannabis was also found.

Mr Mandla Bhomra, defending, said Francis had bought the knife from a fishing shop and did not know it was illegal.

He added: "He now realises the significance of the carrying a knife and that you can not carry it for your own personal protection."

Networking meal grows

A BUSINESS networking event in Brierley Hill has been switched to a larger venue due to demand. Representatives from Jaguar Land Rover are among those attending a business breakfast on Thursday.

Organisers, the Forum for the Built Environment, have moved it to The Copthorne Hotel, Level Street, from offices on the Waterfront. Dozens of firms have expressed interest in attending to showcase opportunities in the Enterprise Zones at the i54 site near Wolverhampton and in Darlaston.

It runs from 7.30am to 9.30am. Email philip.beale@fboonline.co.uk for details.

Contract picked

DUDLEY Council has appointed the contractor to build the borough's £6 million archives and local history centre. Bosses said Midlands-based G F Tomlinson have been chosen to build the centre on the site of the old Brierley Crystal building on Tipton Road.

SECURITY fencing will be installed around Halesowen Fire Station when it closes amid fears it will become a target for vandals and metal thieves.

Crews are due to leave the Hagley Road station on April 1 after bids to safeguard its future failed. They will mark the closure of the station with a final parade at the end of the night shift at 8am.

The news comes as firefighters who have manned the site over the years were hailed for their efforts and commitment to safeguarding the area.

Plans were already under way to relocate firefighters to other stations nearby.

Halesowen Fire Station Station Commander Mark Lawton confirmed the decision to secure the site would protect it while discussions about the possible sale of the land continue.

Mr Lawton, speaking to councillors at Halesowen Area Committee last week, added: "The building will be made secure before perimeter fencing is erected soon after the closure."

Tribute

Bosses have already said they do not want the building becoming an eyesore.

Halesowen area committee chairman, Councillor Ray Burston paid tribute to the work of crews.

"Even though we will not have fire crews present in Halesowen any more, we know they will still have crews taking care of people around here," he said.

Fire station project manager Simon Shilton said the station will go on sale soon. Cash from the sale is crucial to help boost the budget to pay to build a new station covering both Halesowen and Cradley Heath.

Halesowen councillor Ken Turner, of West Midlands Fire Authority, said: "It is important that the station is fully secured to ensure that no vandals or metal thieves can get in there."

Support group celebration



Left, Expert Patients Programme manager Clare Evans and Dudley Cancer Support manager Chris Barron with people who attended the reunion

DOZENS of patients and others affected by cancer have been reunited at a support group in Dudley.

Cancer Support at The White House, and staff from NHS Dudley held a reunion for people who have attended its expert patients programme to mark the 10th course to be held at the centre in Ednam Road. More than 80 people have completed one of the 10 courses held since February 2009. They were all invited to a coffee

morning to celebrate the skills gained in managing their cancer diagnosis as well as catching up with friends. White House manager, Chris Barron, said: "We thought this would be a nice way of celebrating with the patients and carers we have helped over the last few years and give them a chance to meet up with old friends, as well as making new ones."

The next course will run for six weeks from June 12. To book call 01384 231232.

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Plants plea to help beat thieves
POLICE are urging residents to grow plants around their gardens, sheds and garages in a bid to cut crime.

Officers say people should consider security to prevent thefts as they try to crack down on house burglaries.

Pc Angela Hodgetts, crime reduction officer in the Dudley borough, said: "This time of year has traditionally seen an increase in burglary and thefts from gardens and sheds. Homeowners can take some simple and cost-effective measures that can reduce chance of them becoming a victim."

Cash on offer for volunteer groups

VOLUNTARY and community groups in Dudley borough are being invited to bid for grants of up to £1,000 to help with the costs of running activities.

More than £28,000 is available by Dudley Community Partnership for groups that help increase employment opportunities and access to learning or improve health and wellbeing of people. Groups which encourage greater use of leisure activities or address crime are also welcome to apply.

For details or an application form call 01384 573381 or go to www.dudley.org.uk

School visit by victim's mother

STUDENTS at Dudley's Holly Hall Academy have been visited by the mother of a Birmingham teenager who was shot dead, as part of a hard-hitting session about gun and knife crime. They heard from Marcia Shakespeare, mother of 17-year-old Letitia Shakespeare, killed in 2003.

Store applies for new signs

A SUPERMARKET in Brierley Hill is seeking planning permission for new advertisement signs..

Asda in Pearson Street has submitted proposals for three wall-mounted banner signs to Dudley Council. They will be used to promote weekly offers in the store.

Sport in the park

CHILDREN with disabilities are invited to join a free sports club held at Halesowen's Huntingdon Park on Sundays from midday to 2pm. Call 07557 323173.

Closure of milk depot to cost jobs

DAIRY Crest will shut its depot in Stourbridge next month with the loss of up to five jobs.

The firm today said the closure was because of a drop in demand for milk to be delivered to the door.

Milkmen based at the site in Rufford Road will be transferred to the company's depots in Wolverhampton and West Bromwich.

Dairy Crest spokesman Arthur Reeves said there would be a "small number of redundancies" for office workers but no more than five.

He confirmed the Stourbridge depot would shut its doors on April 14.

"Fewer and fewer people are buying milk from their milkman so we have to keep re-scaling the business to match demand," added Mr Reeves.

There would not be any changes to deliveries.

Fishing at pool ends

ANGLERS are being reminded that fishing at a Dudley nature reserve has ended for the annual close season.

Fens Pool nature reserve, which stretches between Pensnett and Brierley Hill, will remain closed to anglers until June 15.

Dudley Council said the three month closure is vital for helping to protect fish stocks. They say it encourages breeding and as Fens Pool is a site of special scientific interest.

Environment chief, Councillor David Stanley, said: "As with every year, it is important that we close the pools during the breeding season."

Hours changed

OPENING hours at Dudley Council Plus are changing. From April 2 the Castle Street centre will close at 5.30pm, instead of 6pm, on weekdays. The new working hours will be 8am until 5.30pm weekdays and 9am until noon on Saturdays. More details: 0300 555 2345.

Charity swing

THE new captain of Hagley Golf and Country Club has chosen Stourbridge as her charity for the coming year. Celia Shakespeare is planning to organise various fundraising events, including a captain's golf day.

Golfer who helped build up club dies at 88

A PROFESSIONAL golfer who helped a Midland club expand to more than 1,000 members has died at the age of 88.

Ron Hinton is the longest-serving professional at Enville Golf Club after his 35-year stint.

He retired in 1989 but remained an honorary member until his death, and was able to play regularly until the last 18 months.

During his career he witnessed the growth of the membership from

350 to more than 1,000, with Enville also being used as a qualifying course for The Open.

When he started there in 1954 the club had no gas or electricity but he spearheaded its expansion and set up his own shop.

Leading

Current members say Mr Hinton and his wife, Joyce – who worked as a caterer at the club – were responsible for Enville becoming one of the leading clubs in the Midlands. Mr

Hinton, who was originally from Birmingham, had spells at Robin Hood and Copt Heath clubs in Solihull before moving to Enville.

He became only the third professional in the club's history.

In the final two years of his life he lived in Bridgnorth, where he died where he died earlier this month.

Mr Hinton's two sons, Paul and Philip, are also golf professionals, with Philip competing on European tours in the 1980s.

Sean Power, Enville's current pro-

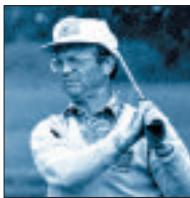
fessional, who took over from Mr Hinton, said: "He was a very large part of Enville's history and he will be missed.

He was extremely popular and well-liked.

Smile

"I worked with him as his assistant for four years before taking over from him and I learnt so much from him.

"He was great fun and always had a smile."



Ron Hinton – great fun

Cancer unit founder proud to top poll for civic award



Four of the Mayor of Dudley's Civic Award winners, from left: Margaret Noakes, Vic Smallshire, Geoffrey Attwood and Maureen South

THE founder of a leukaemia and cancer unit that cares for patients across the region has scooped the Mayor of Dudley's Civic Award after winning an online public vote. Ros Bratt-Wyton, aged 64, helped set up the Georgina Unit at Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital in 1998.

And she has since helped raise millions of pounds through the appeal fund, and still continues to spearhead fundraising today.

Mrs Bratt-Wyton, who was a specialist nurse at Russells Hall, said it became her "goal" to introduce cancer facilities at the site.

Four other Civic Awards were also presented by the Mayor of Dudley, Councillor Michael Evans, for sport, the arts, community spirit and education.

Mrs Bratt-Wyton, of Hurst Hill, said: "I'm very proud and it is an endorsement of all the great work that the unit does."

"As well as treating patients we have had two weddings on the ward, sent a dying father and his family to Florida and paid for a teenager with cancer to see Manchester United play in Europe."

"We have always tried to do what other hospitals don't."

The other winners were badminton coach Maureen South, 69, of Stourton, who clinched the Duncan Edwards award for sport, and Margaret Noakes, 68, a retired music teacher from Sedgley, who won the Cedric Hardwicke award for arts.

The Frank Foley award for community spirit went to chairman of Dudley Canal Trust Vic Smallshire, while The Thomas Attwood award for education winner was



Ros Bratt-Wyton with Mayor of Dudley, Councillor Michael Evans

woodwork teacher Geoffrey Attwood, of Wollscote.

More than 8,000 votes were cast by members of the public via the council's website – more than 10 times the number posted last year.

Councillor Evans said: "It was wonderful to meet so many people who work tirelessly in their communities and speak to them."

Profile of people who were honoured

Duncan Edwards award for sport:

Maureen South, 69, of Stourton, was recognised for her volunteering work teaching badminton at The Kingswinford School. She was secretary of the Cradley Heath Seniors League for 30 years and has led the youngs at Kingswinford to glory in a series of tournaments.

"It's very rewarding and all the youngsters are like my family," the mother-of-one said.

Cedric Hardwicke award for arts: Margaret Noakes, 68, a

retired music teacher from Sedgley, won the award for her work conducting the St Andrew's Church choir in the village for more than 30 years.

She taught at Cradley Heath Secondary School and the Dormont School before retiring in 2000. She said: "It's absolutely marvellous. I had no idea I had been nominated until I was invited to the ceremony. I feel very honoured."

The Frank Foley award for community spirit: Vic Smallshire, 66, chairman of Dudley

Canal Trust, started the Dudley Tunnel Preservation Society to reopen and restore the Dudley Tunnel, caverns and waterways in Dudley.

Mr Smallshire, of Cradley Heath, said: "We were quite brave when we started out because British Waterways didn't want us to unblock the tunnel."

"I could have got an ASBO but instead all these years later I've ended up with an award, and now the canal trust is up there with Dudley Zoo and the Black Country

Living Museum in terms of tourist attractions."

The Thomas Attwood award for education: Geoffrey Attwood, 73, of Wollscote, is a teacher who continues to pass on his woodwork skills in adult education classes at Thorns Community College in Brierley Hill.

Mr Attwood began teaching at Coppice Lane Boys' School in 1961 before embarking on a 40-year career as a technology teacher.

He said: "I've been lucky to work with and teach some great people

over the years. I'm delighted to get this award."

Mayor's award: Ros Bratt-Wyton, from Russells Hall Hospital leukaemia unit appeal fund, who worked for 38 years in hospitals in Dudley.

She helped set up the Georgina Unit at Russells Hall Hospital, which cares for patients with leukaemia and cancer, in 1998. She has helped raise millions of pounds through the appeal fund, and still continues to spearhead fundraising for the charity today.

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Weight and see – 50st goes as mothers slim



Claire Lamsdale, front left, with her son William, aged two, health trainer Tim Ryall and Rebecca Flower and her grandson Mackenzie Flower-Rudge, three, and other mothers from the group who have lost weight

A GROUP of Black Country mums have lost more than 50 stones after joining forces to lose weight.

Around 30 women who attend the Mummy Mornings at Westfield Merry Hill Centre, Dudley, have each shed an average of more than a stone since starting the NHS weight loss programme nine weeks ago.

But it has given one slimmed-down mum a sizeable problem – a new wardrobe of clothes given to her by style guru Goli Wan in a makeover three years ago no longer fit.

"I was in size 14s then but now I am in size 10," said Mandy Moore, aged 39, of Oakfield Road, Wollescote, Stourbridge.

"Since joining the Mummy Mornings weight loss programme I have gone down from 12st 6lb to 10st 8lb and I feel 100 per cent better.

"But most of the clothes I was given in

Goli Wan's fashion fix three years ago are now too big, so I am having to get them tailored down."

Mrs Moore, mother of Erin, five, and 11-year-old Logan, said: "Even so, I'm glad I've lost the weight."

NHS Dudley's Health Exchange trainers have, since January, been attending the Mummy Mornings, held every Tuesday in the Eat Central area of Merry Hill.

Trying

On Tuesday of last week they saw just how well they were doing by trying on "fat suits", loaded up with weights to show how they looked before they slimmed down.

Next month there will be a prize for the "biggest loser" – the mum who has lost the most. Health trainer Tim Ryall said: "We are helping them to realise that by making small changes they can lose weight."



Elizabeth Hill, who is the 2,000th member of the club, with son Owen

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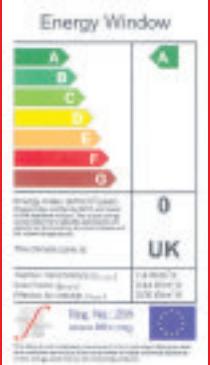
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Paxman can keep his sneering

IT'S A Shame that Paxman has missed a golden opportunity to show he is more than just a brain with the ability to rave at university students for their ignorance and likewise at politicians.

His somewhat flippant take on the British Empire with all of its faults and all of its achievements in shaping the modern world is extremely poor and his final comments after viewing an excerpt from Gripping Yarns and describing the whole concept as 'absurd' summed up his shallow presentation.

I dare say next week, he will be in his

element when discussing slavery and the Chinese opium trade. Surely a man of his intelligence should have the nous never to use 21st century norms as a yardstick when making judgements.

You cannot take events out of their historical timeframe. His comments on India the previous week showed a total lack of depth. Does he not understand that this was an age of empire building?

Britain just happened to gain the ascendancy. In the case of India, if it had not been the British, it would have been the Portuguese or French and

later, in the so-called "Great Game", the Russians. Similarly, North American colonies would have been French.

One does not need to be a "my country right or wrong" Brit to see that many good things in the world are directly attributable to the empire and also eg. as in the Middle East conflicts that there is a flip side.

Sorry Paxo, please use your intellect rather than your sneers.

ALAN M ETHERIDGE
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Although much is said about Dudley Town being rundown, my husband and I do most of our shopping there at much lower prices than supermarket prices. As far as Dudley is concerned every little does help.

So come on support your local towns and forget the greedy supermarket who are not satisfied with selling food, but sell everything thus taking trade from lots of shops. No wonder towns are rundown.

MRS JOHNSON
Dudley

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OAPS have had to work for pensions

THANK YOU Mrs P A Jordan for putting the case for OAPs so knowledgeably. It only remains for me to inform Lindsey Phillips that "in those days" we left school at 15 and at that time it was only the truly "gifted" school leavers who progressed to colleges and universities. The majority of us left and immediately entered full-time employment, often from the next day. There were no "years off" then. It was work no money, our parents weren't able to subsidise us.

I am fully aware of the shortages of jobs at present and sincerely hope things change for the better soon. But, please do not keep "slagging off" the senior citizens. Without us being able to spend the fruits of our latter years, hard-earned savings the hotels would have fewer guests; coach companies would not be in business; theatres would close and travel agents would be hard pressed to sell their holidays. Also, because of the bus pass we are able to get to the out of town shops. Lindsey, I hope I at some time in the future shall read about you becoming an MP, as least you had the interest to make a point (although, misguided).

MRS M SOUTHALL, Charles Road, Halesowen

Rail link needed more than city status

SO DUDLEY has lost out on its bid for city status. Well perhaps on reflection it is not bad thing.

Yes there is a lot going on at the moment in Dudley regarding redevelopment.

We have a zoo and the Black Country Living Museum being joined by a new roadway. Years ago we had a railway station.

Now my question is to our councillors, why not consult with the government and network rail about rebuilding a railway station where the original was? People I am sure would willingly use it to Birmingham than travel on the 74 bus.

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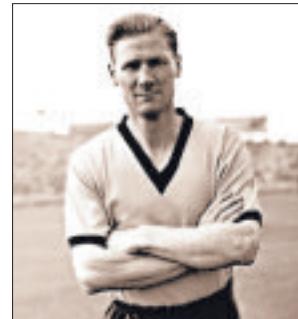
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England with Billy Wright, captain, front, goalkeeper Bert Williams, centre rear, and Johnny Hancocks almost hidden



Ron Flowers, 49 caps for England and 515 appearances for Wolverhampton Wanderers



Bill Slater OBE, CBE BSc, captain of Wolves and an England international



Three England internationals with the FA Cup at Wembley in 1960 after Wolves beat Blackburn – Eddie Clamp, Bill Slater and Norman Deeley

Molineux men formed backbone of England



Billy Wright leads out England against Scotland for his 100th cap. Behind him are two more Wolves player, Peter Broadbent and Ron Flowers

Wolves winger Matt Jarvis has been making news by being picked for England's international squad, though he is yet to make his debut.

But there was a time when the national side was full of Wolves players. During the 1950s the England side always had a player from Molineux, and usually had several, on some occasions making up the entire half back line.

A fixture in the team throughout that time was William Ambrose Wright CBE, the first man in the world to play for his country 100 times. In fact Billy Wright won 105 times, and captained England a record 90 times.

He was the David Beckham of his day, famous throughout the world, married to a singer in a top girl group (Joy Beverley of the Beverley Sisters), and winning trophies with his club.

When Wright retired, it was his replacement in the Wolves team who succeeded him in the England team. Bill Slater had been capped 21 times in the England amateur team, and was a fixture as a half back alongside Billy

MEMORY LANE

By Alec Brew

Wright throughout the 1950s, eventually being capped 12 times in the full England side and named Footballer of the Year in 1960.

On four occasions when Slater and Wright played together in the England team, the other half back was Wolves team-mate Eddie "Chopper" Clamp, and from 1955 another regular choice in the national half back line was Ron Flowers, whose international career was spread over 11 seasons and a total of 49 caps – the second highest of any Wolves player.

Machine

In the early 50s the England goalkeeper was the incomparable Bert Williams, who won 24 caps, and played in the 1950 and 1954 World Cup finals.

Considering the attacking style of Wolves teams, and the huge number of goals they scored, often netting more than a 100 a season, their forwards,



Bert "The Cat" Williams, 450 games for Wolves and 24 England caps

surprisingly, did not win as many caps as their defenders.

Peter Broadbent, regarded by many fans as the best player ever to wear the gold and black, only played seven times for his country, blocked by the selectors' preference for Fulham's Johnny Haynes.

Superb wingers Jimmy Mullen (12 caps), Johnny Hancocks (three) and Norman Deeley (two) had Stanley Matthews and Tom Finney in their way, but goal-scoring machine Dennis Wilshaw might have expected more than his 12 caps. In one game Wilshaw



Peter Broadbent, 497 games for Wolves and seven England caps

became the first England player to score four goals.

If Andy Carroll is worth £35 million to Liverpool, how much would a player who scored 10 goals in 12 internationals be worth today?

Since Flowers retired, only Steve Bull has been capped, so let's hope that Jarvis or a team-mate breaks the duck.

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New cash puts football plans closer to kick-off

Church sees the light



The Rev Stephen Carter at St Andrew's Church, Netherton, which has had 40 solar panels fitted to its roof

AN AMATEUR football club is celebrating a £50,000 cash boost which has taken it a step closer to being able to develop land for new pitches.

Kewford Eagles, which has 500 young players, wants to create a new headquarters by transforming 30 acres of land near Dudley Kingswinford Rugby Club, Wall Heath.

The club, has already raised around £500,000 to help pay towards the first stage of the works.

And officials last week said the award of £50,000 from Sport England's Olympic Legacy Fund was a major boost.

The club want to create 11 football pitches for teams ranging from under-7s to seniors. It hopes work on the pitches could start by late summer ready for the teams to play their first matches from September next year.

Club welfare officer, Lynn Boleyn, said bosses hoped the new facilities would help attract new members and give disabled players the chance to play football.

"We are extremely pleased to receive this award from Sport England, which will allow Kewford to construct a state of the art facility where children, including those with disabilities, can play football in a safe and secure environment," she said. "This will be a facility the whole community can be proud of and a legacy for future generations."

Officials will have to wait for around 12 months after the land is flattened and seeded before any matches can be played.

Watery way to fitness

PEOPLE can take part in new aqua aerobics sessions at Halesowen Leisure Centre. A qualified instructor leads the lessons for people aged 16 plus. They will get 15 minutes of swimming and 45 minutes of exercise to music. The classes, in Great Cornbow, will be on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. A ladies-only class runs every Monday. Aqua-fit costs £4.40 per session.

A CHURCH in Dudley has become the first in the Diocese of Worcester to install solar panels to help cut energy bills.

Forty panels have been placed on the roof of the grade II listed St Andrew's Church, Netherton.

Church leaders needed to get permission from both Dudley Council and the Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC) for the Care of Church

Building before going ahead with the work, which has cost around £38,000.

The panels on the south-facing roof can produce up to 9.8kw of electricity and will save church leaders £500 a year.

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Apprentice roars in to pick up the Lion Award

A STUDENT from Dudley showed some lion-heart spirit to pick up two awards at a national education ceremony in London.

Nicolas Rose took home the main accolade of the night – outstanding achiever of the year – at the Lion Awards, run by vocational education firm City & Guilds.

He was also named Further Education learner of the year at the ceremony. While studying, engineering apprentice Nicolas achieved four distinctions in the six elements required for his technical certificate.

Having joined his employer at the age of 16, he followed an apprenticeship scheme with MetSkill and the City of Wolverhampton College. The 20-year-old said he was overwhelmed to win a medal of excellence, let alone a Lion Award.

"I didn't know that I had been nominated for anything until I saw myself on the screen," he said. "I turned to my mum in amazement and said 'that's me'."

"Later on in the evening I was sat there enjoying the evening thinking I had my award, when it came to the last award of the night, the outstanding achiever of the year."

"They described the winner and in the back of my head I thought it sounded like me, but I didn't think I could be the winner."

"I remember seeing the look on my family's faces, seeing how proud they were."

The awards are designed to celebrate the country's most inspiring achievers who have accomplished impressive results through practical learning.

The ceremony was hosted by BBC's The One Show presenter Alex Jones.

Robbery at newsagents

A HOSPITAL worker was attacked during a robbery at a newsagents in Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital. The 39-year-old was opening the shop when he was hit on the head. Police said cash was stolen at around 6am on March 23. The attacker fled the scene with another man in a blue Vauxhall Vectra. Detectives are looking for a 6ft 2ins, black man of slim build.

Nicholas Rose, from Dudley, collects an educational Lion Award from host Alex Jones of The One Show, and CEO and director general of City & Guilds, Chris Jones

Recognising the efforts made by savers of energy

ENERGY conscious businesses, residents, community groups and schools in Dudley are being sought for an award that has a cash prize.

Dudley Climate Change Group's Energy Heroes Awards recognises achievements made by organisations and individuals in energy saving or generating renewable energy. Judges will be looking for projects that have helped to reduce energy use in the last year.

Applications could include activities such as installing energy saving

measures in homes or businesses, installing renewable energy generation technologies such as solar panels, walking buses for schoolchildren or awareness raising projects.

There are two categories, a community one for households, schools, voluntary and community groups and a category private sector businesses and not-for-profit organisations. The deadline for entries is April 30. Call 01384 814756 or visit www.dudleylsp.org/energyheroes

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Singer star tops festival

A SINGER who has performed lead roles in West End and Broadway musicals has been announced as the headline act for a new festival in Stourbridge.

Kerry Ellis will top the bill at SMARTFest in Mary Stevens Park on August 11.

She made her West End stage debut in the 2001 revival of *My Fair Lady* and has since performed lead roles in *We Will Rock You*, *Les Misérables*, *Wicked*, *Chess* and *Oliver* in London and on Broadway. In 2010 she collaborated with Queen guitarist Brian May on her debut album *Anthems*.

Last pint for pub mooted

A BOARDDED-UP pub in Stourbridge could have pulled its last pint after developers revealed plans to transform the building into six new flats.

The Red Lion, in the Old Quarter area, has lain empty for years and has become an eyesore. Solid metal grids were put up in its windows in a bid to stop vandal attacks.

But graffiti has been sprayed around the building which stands on the junction of Lion Street and Green Street. Stourbridge-based PCP Developments is behind the plans to redevelop the pub. Scaffolding has already been erected at the site. The firm is seeking to convert the building into six one-bedroom flats

and demolish an existing boundary wall to create a car park.

Four parking bays would be created off Lion Street along with two off-street spaces at the junction.

Margaret Scott, chairman of community watchdog group Stourbridge Township Council, said the pub had become an eyesore and people living nearby would be pleased something was being done.

Vandals

"Often with all these pubs closing, they just finish up being a place targeted by vandals and arsonists," she said.

"I think that if there is an opportunity to convert them into something useful then that would be better as

there would be a use for the building."

Applicant Peter Robbins, in a report to Dudley Council's planning department, said: "The property is not typical of period public houses built in the Stourbridge area and therefore has local and architectural merit.

The current property is situated within the centre of a residential area, just off Stourbridge ring road.

"However, current trends has seen over the years a dramatic downturn in trade."

"Therefore in order to retain the premises, the proposal is to convert and extend to form six low-cost apartments within this residential area."

A decision on the scheme is likely to be taken in the next few weeks.

Minister invited for talks over town centre future

A GOVERNMENT minister has been invited to meet traders to discuss how to to revive Dudley town centre as it bids to be chosen for a project aiming to save Britain's struggling high streets.

The town is vying to become of one of 12 towns to trial recommendations from retail guru Mary Portas and earn a slice of £1 million to boost trade.

Dudley North MP Ian Austin has invited Housing Minister Grant Shapps to meet traders and shoppers to discuss ways to revive the town centre, which has been labelled as the worst in the country for empty shops.

Mr Austin, who is backing Dudley's bid, said: "This is a positive development and

gives us a good chance to sell the town. Being selected as a Portas Pilot would give Dudley a real boost.

"It would show the importance of new ideas and new thinking to boost investment and help get the high street back on its feet."

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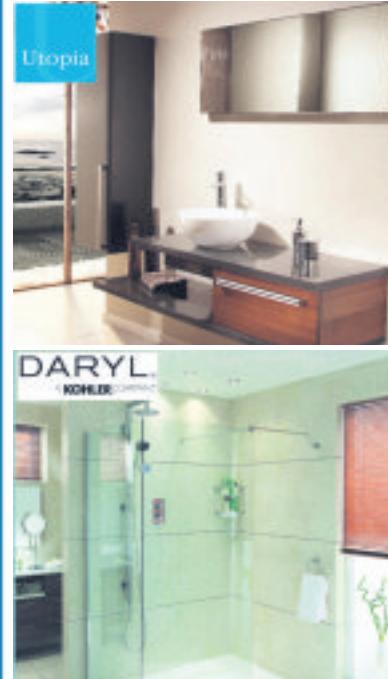
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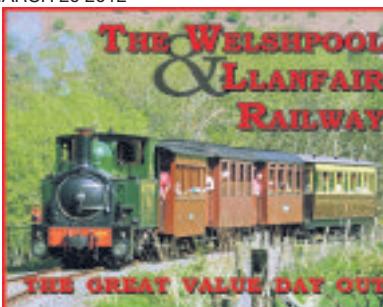
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Jessica wins through to semi-finals of Miss Teen

A SCHOOLGIRL from Dudley has won a place in the semi-finals of a nationwide beauty pageant. Jessica Hopkins, aged 15, from Milking Bank, is competing to become Miss Teen Great Britain 2012.

The pageant, aimed at 13-18 year old girls, is seeking 60 finalists to fight for the crown as well as a £1,000 prize.

Jessica, a pupil at St Dominic's High School for Girls, Brewood, said: "Making it to the grand final would be a dream come true – fingers crossed I will be able to represent my hometown and win the Miss Teen Great Britain crown."

After being scouted at the Clothes Show in Birmingham, Jessica will now have to fill in an extensive application stating what she would do if she won the title.

Celebrity

The questions are designed to give judges an overall impression of each semi-finalist's personality.

Jessica has chosen singer Cher Lloyd as the celebrity she would compare herself to after regularly being told she resembled the X-Factor star.

The

judging panel will

then decide if Jessica's

answers and photographs

show that she has what it takes to be a finalist.

The teenager currently has plans to pursue a career in dance and drama after completing her GCSEs, with



Cher Lloyd, who Jessica compares herself to

modelling being a step in the right direction.

The grand final will take place at The Globe in Blackpool in September where finalists get to spend the weekend taking part in photo-shoots and enjoying the rides at Blackpool Pleasure Beach.



Jessica Hopkins, from Dudley, is in the semi-finals of Miss Teen Great Britain 2012

App for busy students

STUDENTS at Dudley College can now access their course assignments and check their grades on their phones through a new Blackboard App. It will allow them to download information for free to help keep on top of their work while on the go. It also lets them view documents and interact through on-line discussion boards. Learning resources manager Richard Gibbons said: "It's really important that we embrace technology to support our students."

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Appeal to help turn old club building into cafe

A DERELECT former labour club in Brierley Hill could be given a new lease of life as a community cafe.

Members of the group, Insight for Carers, want to open up the boarded-up building in Pearson Street which has stood empty for two years.

But they are rallying tradesmen and volunteers to help them make the project a reality.

The group was set up three years ago by carer Marc Carter. Offering support to carers, the group has been based at the Brierley Hill Project, in South Street, where members have run a cafe.

But due to the success and popularity of the service, members wanted to secure bigger premises and have taken up a lease on the labour club.

"We have been so grateful to the support of the Brierley Hill Project but we have been lucky enough to find our own place," Mr Carter said.

Creating

"Carers often feel so isolated and alone and they don't ask for much so we just try to offer support."

Plans include creating a new cafe and a sensory room.

But the group need help with the substantial building works including fitting a heating and hot water system.

The group is seeking decorators, plasterers and electricians who came to give time to help out and building materials.

Windows also need replacing and new doors fitted to the empty building.

Project co-ordinator Loraine Stockton added: "We are hoping that it will be a thriving centre for the community."

"The main structure of the building is fine but a lot of work is still



Princes Trust volunteers Jonathan Fowkes, left, and Tim Flower in what was the lounge area of the former labour club



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Council's recycling bid for government funds

DUDLEY Council is planning to bid for a multi-million pound government grant to increase waste collections and boost recycling rates.

About £250 million has been made available by the Government to support councils in providing weekly domestic waste collections.

The local authority plans to roll out a full recycling service if it secures around £2.3m from ministers.

Sandwell and Wolverhampton councils have also signalled interest in applying for money.

A new fleet of recycling collection vehicles will be bought with the cash by Dudley Council, if successful, while schools would receive a recycling service for collecting paper and cardboard.

About 11,000 homes have already been part of trial kerbside collection scheme in Dudley since October 2010, with participation numbers up to an average of 87 per cent.

In a report to council leader Councillor Les Jones, officers said the public response in the trial area has been "excellent".

He added: "A full borough roll-out would eventually result in increased recycling income and a corresponding decrease in waste disposal costs, which would cover ongoing revenue costs at the end of the [three-year] grant period."

The council is currently working on its bid and successful authorities will be notified in October.

Village hall upkeep sale

PEOPLE can pick up a bargain at a village table-top sale near Stourbridge, next month. The sale, at Stourton Village Hall, Bridgnorth Road, will be held on April 28, from 10am to 1pm. Villagers are being urged to book a table for £10. Money raised from the event goes back into funding the upkeep of the hall. For information call Margaret Rogers on 01384 872073.

Oh deer, a bad hair day



Assistant curator Richard Brown with one of the male reindeer

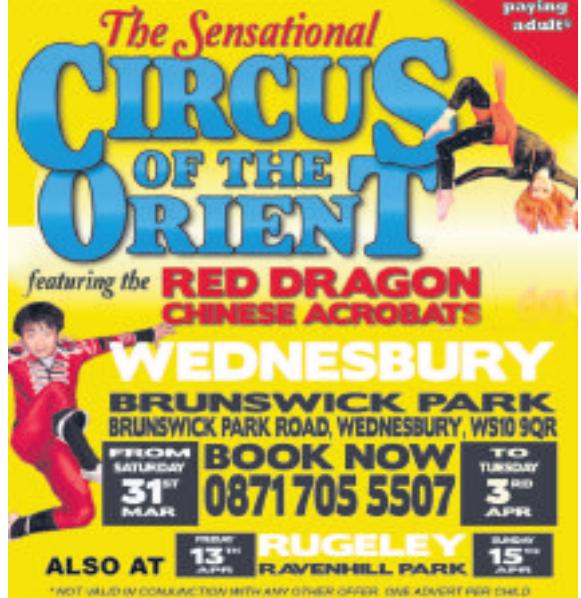
THREE male reindeer at Dudley Zoo are having a "bad hair day" as they shed the fur covering their antlers. Visitors have commented on the soft fur hanging down from the animals' antlers.

But staff at the zoo said it is normal and the reindeer will lose all of their antlers in just a few weeks

time. They will then grow back. Assistant curator Richard Brown said: "Visitors have commented on the strange looking antlers but it is nothing to worry about."

Zoo spokesman Jill Hitchman added: "It is fair to say the male reindeer are having a bad hair day at the moment."

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Gathering as mosque opens

HUNDREDS of worshippers and special guests gathered for the opening of a mosque at former church in Halesowen.

Followers from the Ahmadiyya Islamic Community saw the movement's world leader, His Holiness Hadhrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, inaugurate the mosque in Long Lane, Halesowen.

The building had been a Methodist church until 2009.

Group president Mohammed Yaseen Khan said after the opening last week the building would not only provide places to pray, but facilities for religious classes and lan-

guage lessons teaching Punjabi and Urdu.

President of the Long Lane Ahmadiyya Muslim Association, Dr Masood Majoka, said the mosque can accommodate 600 people.

He said: "We have been looking forward to this day for a long time.

"In recent weeks the activity has really picked up and a lot of hard work has gone into the project.

Activity

"I don't think anyone who saw the old building before would recognise it now, as we have fitted out new prayer and activity rooms."

"We are extremely pleased to finally be able to welcome the community to our mosque."



The Baitul Ghafoor mosque which has opened in Halesowen

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Retirement home staff admit falsifying records

TWO members of staff at the former retirement home which closed as a police investigation was launched there have admitted falsifying records of drugs used there and been cautioned.

But the police probe failed to find any evidence of mistreatment of residents at Westfield Lodge, Stourbridge.

Detectives began investigating after the Care Quality Commission raised concerns following an inspection at Westfield Lodge last summer.

Police have now revealed that two members of staff have been cautioned for falsifying records in the home's drugs book.

West Midlands Police spokesman Lee Page said last week that the investigation

had now been concluded. "Two members of staff at Westfield Lodge have received police cautions related to falsifying a document by making alterations to drug records," he added.

"However we found no evidence of mistreatment of residents."

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"The investigation has established that there was general mismanagement at the home, rather than mistreatment of anyone."

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Special teams may deal with the yob behaviour

DEDICATED teams for dealing with anti-social behaviour in Dudley are among plans being devised by council officials.

The staff are working with police and other community organisations on a new plan.

Proposals follow a review by Safe & Sound, Dudley's community safety partnership, on how anti-social behaviour complaints are dealt with and how to make it easier for victims to report problems.

Council bosses say the new scheme will be revealed in full this summer.

But they have hinted that these will include the creation of dedicated teams of officials to deal with complaints from tenants.

They are also looking at possible changes to diary sheets used to log crimes.

Dudley Council housing cabinet member, Councillor Adrian Turner, said: "Having listened to tenants it was clear there were ways we could improve how we tackled anti-social behaviour."

Tree planting to celebrate jubilee

VOLUNTEERS have planted 420 trees to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

Members of the Kingswinford and Stourbridge Lions worked with Dudley Council to plant the trees at Stevens Park and Old Swinford Common, Stourbridge.

The Woodland Trust funded the work as part of a year-long planting project, which will see six million trees being planted across the UK by over a million volunteers.

Mike Blaxland, president of club said: "The Lions club is proud to be working with Dudley Council and the Woodland Trust to plant these new trees.

"This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee year."

Beacon shines yet again



Camra chairman Stan Stephens and Alex Merchant at The Beacon Hotel

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IN THE Commons I asked the Environment Secretary to update the House on the clampdown against metal theft and asked the Welsh Secretary about lightening burdens on business.

The Chancellor, George Osborne, delivered a radical, reforming Budget last week.

Whilst there were many difficult choices — including personal allowances for pensioners — this was a Budget that helps Britain earn its way in the world; a Budget that rewards work and puts Government on the side of those who aspire to do better for themselves and their families.

I was particularly pleased that 24 million income taxpayers will, as a direct result of the largest ever increase in the personal allowance, pay less income tax.

Together with previous increases, this means this Government will have taken 2 million of the lowest paid out of tax altogether, and basic rate taxpayers will be up to £526 better off.

I was also pleased the Budget unashamedly backed business, large and small.

The Government is right to be simplifying small business taxes and has cut corporation tax again.

This means we are on our way to a 22 percent corporation tax rate — one of the lowest in the world — which is good news for jobs and investment here in Dudley and the Black Country.

Pensioners

This Government is committed to supporting pensioners.

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"The changes to allowances announced in the Budget simplify a very complex area of the tax system and move us towards a simple system in which everyone has the same personal allowance."

state pension has already been announced as a result of the Government's triple lock, as well as protecting key pensioner benefits such as winter fuel payments, free prescriptions and eye tests, free bus travel and free TV licences for older pensioners.

The changes to allowances announced in the Budget simplify a very complex area of the tax system and move us towards a simple system in which everyone has the same personal allowance.

Nobody will pay more tax in 2013/14 than 2012/13 as a result of these measures and there are no cash losers as a result of the changes.

Even after the change, half of those over 65 will not pay

tax in 2013/14. More than five million of the poorest pensioners remain unaffected and everyone is still better off as a result of the increase in the basic state pension.

After the Budget speech I was delighted to welcome children from Bromley-Pennett Primary School to Parliament having also recently visited the school.

The National Loan Guarantee Scheme has now begun operating — a real example of Government supporting small businesses.

The scheme will help businesses access cheaper finance by reducing the cost of bank loans under the scheme by one percentage point. Firms with a turnover of £50 million should

visit www.hmtrasury.gov.uk/ to find out more.

The Government is acting to deal with the shortage of new and affordable housing — a significant problem, particularly for first time buyers. So the NewBuy guarantee scheme is now available to help more people get on the housing ladder via NewBuy.org.uk.

I spent a very pleasant Saturday morning with Himley Hall Sailing Club.

Memberships are available with all ages and abilities encouraged — see www.himley.org.uk/.

I attended Council House for a quarterly meeting of borough MPs with the Chief Executive of Dudley Council and Cllr Les Jones, Leader of the Council, followed by the Mayor's Civic Awards.

In between I also attended and addressed Wordsley Mast Action's packed public meeting at Belle Vue Primary School, Wordsley.

Library

I was pleased to attend the official opening of the newly improved Brierley Hill Library — where I hold regular constituency advice surgeries — alongside Cllr Adrian Turner, Cabinet Member for Housing, Libraries and Adult Learning. Our libraries are a real credit to our borough seven-days-a-week and have free WiFi — see www.dudley.gov.uk/libraries.

I'm training hard for the London marathon on Sunday April 22 for the Dudley Group of Hospitals Charity plus Action Heart at Russells Hall Hospital. To sponsor me see www.chriskellymp.com.

Finally, I have upgraded my Facebook group which is now even more interactive — www.dudleyconservatives.co/m.facebook.

CLUB NEWS

Colleagues take it to the bridge



Kidderminster and Stourbridge Soroptimists take part in the "Join Me on the Bridge" campaign

Talk topic was canal navigation

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THE speaker at the March meeting was Dr Peter King and his subject was "Andrew Yarrington and the Stour Navigation".

After a delayed start due to audio visual problems Dr King told of Andrew Yarrington's early life. He was born in Astley Parish in Worcestershire around 1616. After being a shop assistant he became involved in mills and forges in the iron industry and after spending time in the Army surveyed the River Stour with a view to making it navigable from Stourbridge to Kidderminster.

An Act of Parliament had been passed in 1662 to make the river navigable to enable coal and iron to be carried to the River Severn. In 1664 Yarrington embarked on a scheme to make this possible from Stourbridge to Kidderminster.

Canal navigation eventually overtook the viability of the river.

The next meeting is on Monday April 2 when Dr Paul Collins makes a return visit to talk on "Dudley Living Memories".

All are welcome at 7.30pm at the Community Centre, High Street, Kingswinford. Further details from Brenda Arthur on 01384 291593 or Ron Julian, 01384 295848.

A representative from Compton Hospice was given

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Regional president Ruth Longville welcomed members from the 13 clubs in the region which stretches from Birmingham West to Hereford.

Wendy Friar was a very inspiring speaker. She instigated the Black Country Food Bank, based in Halesowen, a volunteer-run centre with a Christian ethos which opened in 2006. For more details about the club, email kidderminstersorop@gmail.com or visit <http://sigbi.org>

Christine marks milestone

THE annual general meeting was introduced by chairman Dorothy Bailey on March 8.

Federation chairman Jean Parsons attended and presented Christine Clifford with her 40-year membership certificate and a letter from the national chairman.

A representative from Compton Hospice was given

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a cheque for £300. All members of the guild and the committee were thanked for their continued support. Tea, coffee and cakes rounded off a very pleasant evening.

A visit to the Grand

Theatre to see *Half a Sixpence* was very enjoyable. The guild is planning to go to Masson Mills Shopping Village and Arkwright's Mill in Derbyshire on May 17. Seats on the coach are still available. The next meeting will be on April 12 at the community centre at 7.30pm. Mike Wilkes in Spain will be on "Spring in Spain".



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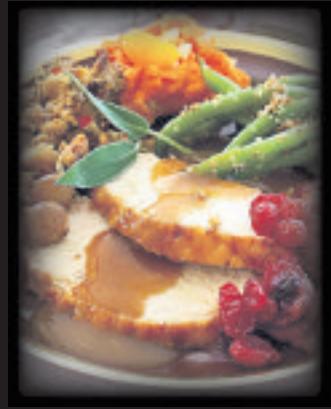
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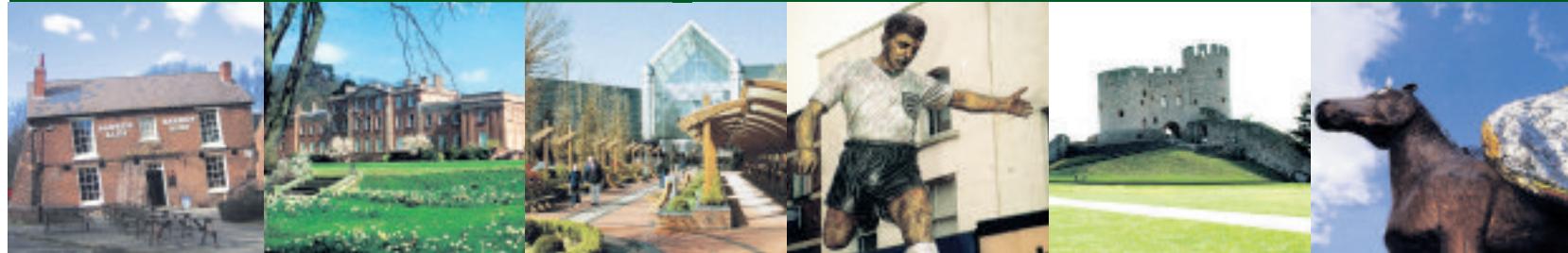
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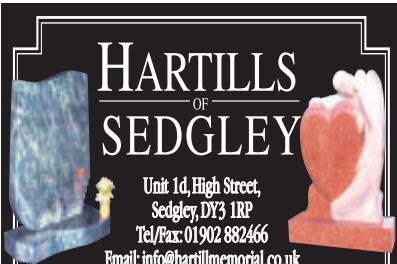
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The 40-acre site is also home to the ruined 11th century Dudley Castle and the world's largest single collection of Modernist Tecton structures, many are still used as animal enclosures today.

Just a short distance away is the Black Country Living Museum, an open-air site where people are taken back in time with the help of costumed guides and authentic shops, houses and workshops.

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Dudley Canal Trust runs trips through the caverns and tunnels beneath the town giving people an insight into the town's geological, archaeological and engineering heritage.

Opposite the museum site is the Castle Gate entertainment complex, which offers a cinema, bowling alley and an array of restaurants.

Other attractions around the town include Dudley Museum and Art Gallery, located near the Dudley Council offices in St James's Road, and Priory Park.

The park is home to the ruins of the medieval Priory of St James's, which is classed as an ancient monument.

It is set to be given a £2.6 million revamp,



with the help of Heritage Lottery Fund funding, which will include an extension of the old pavilion to include a green classroom to train local people in horticultural skills.

A bronze sculpture of Dudley tennis heroine Dorothy Round will also be installed.

Dudley's famous sons include footballer Duncan Edwards who was born in the town in 1936 and considered one of the greatest footballers of his generation.

Sadly he died aged just 21 alongside many of his Manchester United team mates 15 days after the Munich Air Disaster in 1958.

Today a statue honouring him stands in

Dudley's market place. It is due to move to a new location to give it pride of place in the town centre as part of a £6 million revamp of the market place.

While the Dudley is proud of its past, the town is always looking towards the future.

Work is under way on a £30 million university-style campus for Dudley College, which will include a vocational centre. It is being built on the site of the former fire station in Tower Street.

Architects have preserved the original facade of the building to pay homage to its history.

It will be followed by a new sixth form and

higher education centre which is being constructed in nearby Priory Road.

Just a few miles away lies Brierley Hill, which is home to two bustling traditional markets. Families can shop to their drop at the Merry Hill centre.

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The iconic entrance to Dudley Zoo, which year celebrates its 75th anniversary, has welcomed generations of families from the Black Country and further afield through it's gates



The statue of Duncan Edwards is due to take pride of place in the revamped market



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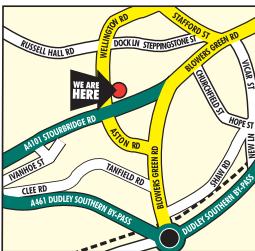
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SOME rooms stand out in a house and it's all down to little touches that make all the difference.

Complete with decorative details, such as mirrors, artwork, cushions and books, these rooms add a touch of class to any home. Here's a quick guide to getting the most out of your decor.

• Stand back and try to see your possessions as a visitor would. It will help you re-evaluate them with a fresh eye. Take some photos of your rooms, as it will make it clear which objects are working for you, and which aren't.

• Use collectables – with a few pieces of decorative china or old photographs, or more planned with objects carefully gathered over the years. Consider whether items can be grouped together and look for themes to unify them.

• Less is more – rotating displays occasionally and moving familiar objects into different rooms will instantly refresh them and the space.

Experiment

• Don't overlook perfect display spaces like mantels or occasional tables which can be dressed with a "tablescape" of collected objects that have some link, whether in colour or the material in which they're made.

• See cushions as decorative jewels which can instantly brighten a space and sometimes completely alter the look of a room. Nothing looks duller than identical cushions, so experiment by, for instance, grouping cushions in the same colour but in different textures, or have one striking cushion standing beside its plainer neighbours.

• Walls look wonderful if dressed properly – but successful picture displays rely for their impact on a connecting factor. Before hanging a group of pictures you should take time to prepare a plan on paper or lay out the pictures on the floor.

Next, measure exactly the distance required between the frames and the



Use various books and shelves to frame doorways and make a feature

height from the floor. If there is furniture below the pictures, such as a sofa or table, pictures should be hung at a height that makes them appear to "tie in" with any furniture below.

Pictures also could be hung or propped against the wall on shelves, or even hung from the upright shelf supports.

• Display books in surprising ways, like using a pile of books as a lamp "table", or creating a wall of book shelves incorporating a shelf over a door.

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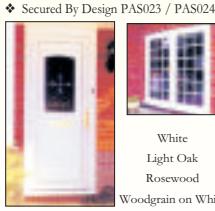
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Coldest

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BBC1, 9.10pm

Jordan's date with Yvonne is put on hold when a former ED patient collapses in prison after being arrested for assaulting Lloyd. The incident threatens the pair's blossoming relationship as it becomes apparent one of them may be held accountable for the unwell man being left in a cell. Meanwhile, a 14-year-old girl gives birth at home, and her sister plants the unwanted baby in Jeff and Dixie's ambulance. Linda and Zoe later encounter the teenager while on a night out, and are quickly sobered by the realisation that she is haemorrhaging and in need of urgent medical attention. The cast includes Michael French, Sunetra Sarker and Christine Tremarco.

6.00 Breakfast. 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live. 11.30 The Little Paris Kitchen; Cooking with Rachel Khoo. (R) 12.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. 12.15 Football Focus. 1.00 British Olympic Dreams. 1.30 World Olympic Dreams. 2.00 Bargain Hunt. (R) 3.00 Cash in the Attic. (R) 3.45 You Are the Weakest Link – Goodbye. 4.30 Final Score. 5.10 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. 5.30 A Question of Sport. Guests include Shane Williams and John Hartson. (R)

6.00 Winter Wipeout Celebrity Special. With Terry Christian, Sophie Anderton and Peter Shilton. Last in the series.

7.00 The Voice UK. Holly Willoughby and Reggie Yates present the singing contest, in which coaches Tom Jones, Jessie J, Will.i.am and Danny O'Donoghue seek out the nation's best vocal talent.

8.20 The National Lottery: In It to Win It. Quiz show, hosted by Dale Winton. Includes the Lotto and Thunderball draws.

9.10 Casualty. Jordan's date with Yvonne is put on hold.

10.00 BBC News; Weather. 10.20 Match of the Day. Including highlights of Wolverhampton Wanderers v Bolton Wanderers; National Lottery Update.

11.45 The Football League Show. Highlights of today's games in the Championship, League One and League Two.

1.05 Weatherview. 1.10 BBC News.

6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 12.00 Coast. (R) 12.20 Film: Becket. (1964) Historical drama, starring Richard Burton and Peter O'Toole. 2.45 Film: All for Love. (1999) Romantic drama, starring Jean-Marc Barr and Anna Friel. 4.10 Flug It! 5.10 Match of the Day Live. Blackpool v Southampton (Kick-off 5.25pm).

7.30 Dad's Army. Captain Mainwaring discovers he is not a commissioned officer. (R)

8.00 How God Made the English. Diarmuid MacCullough concludes his investigation into the nature of Englishness, examining the roles of ethnicity and religion in determining nationality. Last in the series.

9.00 Have I Got Old News for You. Guest host Chris Addison joins regulars Ian Hislop and Paul Merton, as well as panelists James Blunt and Nick Robinson, for the satirical current affairs quiz. (R)

9.30 Arena: Jonathan Miller. Profile of humorist, opera director, physician and artist Jonathan Miller.

11.00 The Zoo in Winter.

Jonathan Miller fantasises about the lives of the inhabitants of ZSL London Zoo. (R)

11.45 The Sarah Millican Television Programme. The comedienne talks property and fashion TV, with Sarah Beeny and Julian Macdonald. (R)

12.15 Film: The Salton Sea. (2002) Premiere. Crime thriller, starring Val Kilmer. 1.50 Close.

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. 7.25 CITV. 9.25 ITV News. 9.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. 10.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. 11.25 This Morning: Saturday. 12.25 Murder, She Wrote. (R) 1.25 ITV News; Weather. 1.40 Film: A Cinderella Story. (2004) Romantic comedy, starring Hilary Duff and Chad Michael Murray. 3.35 Film: Forever Young. (1992) Romantic sci-fi drama, with Mel Gibson and Jamie Lee Curtis. 5.25 Regional News; Weather. 5.40 ITV News; Weather.

6.00 New You've Been Framed! Featuring cute children.

6.30 Best of Harry Hill's TV Burp. Classic clips including Harry dancing the tango.

7.00 All Star Family Fortunes. Downton Abbey's Lesley Nicol and comedian Ed Byrne take part. Last in the series.

8.00 Britain's Got Talent. Ant and Dec present the second audition show.

9.05 Take Me Out. A company manager, an events consultant, a motorbike enthusiast and an athlete try to impress 30 single women, and last week's couples go on their dates. Paddy McGuinness presents.

10.20 ITV News; Weather.

10.35 Film: Forgetting Sarah Marshall. (2008) Romantic comedy, starring Jason Segel and Kristen Bell.

12.30 The Zone. Interactive gaming; ITV News Headlines.

3.00 In Plain Sight. Mary is interviewed by a psychiatrist. (R) 3.45 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning News.

6.00 The Treacle People. (R) 6.10 The Hoobs. (R) 6.35 The Hoobs. (R) 7.00 The Grid. 7.25 FIM World Superbikes. 7.50 Channel 4 Presents – 2012: Jody Cundy – Part Two. (R) 7.55 The Morning Line. 8.55 T4: Koko Pop. 9.25 T4: The Wanted: Backstage in Brazil. (R) 10.00 T4: Charlie's Angels. 10.55 T4: Come Dine with Me: Made in Chelsea Special. 11.55 T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) 12.25 T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) 12.55 T4: The Simpsons. (R) 1.25 T4: The Simpsons. (R) 1.55 Channel 4 Racing. 4.05 Channel 4. Presents – 2012: Ellie Simmonds – Part Two. How the Paralympic swimming gold medalist copes with pressure. (R) 4.10 Come Dine with Me. (R) 4.40 Come Dine with Me. (R) 5.15 Come Dine with Me. (R) 5.45 Come Dine with Me. (R)

6.15 Channel 4 News. 6.45 4thought.tv. A member of the public discusses turning away from mainstream religion.

6.50 Film: Avatar. (2009) A paraplegic marine is sent undercover in an alien tribe to spy for a corrupt mining executive. James Cameron's sci-fi adventure, with Sam Worthington and Zoe Saldana.

10.00 The Million Pound Drop

1.00 Quiz show, presented by Davina McCall.

11.35 Film: Alfie. (2004) Comedy-drama remake, starring Jude Law.

1.30 Film: Last Days. (2004) Drama, starring Michael Pitt. 3.10 Dish. Short erotic tale. (R) 3.20 Welcome to Glastonbury. (R) 3.25 Franklin & Bash. 4.05 Privileged. (R) 4.45 90210. (R) 5.25 Countdown. (R)

6.00 Milkshake! 10.00 Animal Rescue Squad. (R) 10.15 Holiday Heaven on Earth. (R) 10.45 Mirror Mirror: Movie Special. 11.15 Police Interceptors. (R) 12.15 WWI Top Gun; Revealed. (R) 1.15 Film: Battle of Britain. (1969) Second World War drama, starring Laurence Olivier. 3.50 Film: Operation: Daybreak. (1975) Fact-based Second World War drama, starring Timothy Bottoms and Martin Shaw.

6.15 5 News Weekend.

6.20 NCIS. Part two of two. Agent Callen goes undercover. (R)

7.10 NCIS. An Immigration and Customs Enforcement agent is murdered. (R)

8.00 NCIS. Part one of two. Ziva is forced to confront her past when the team is ordered to protect her father, Mossad director Eli David, at a gathering of former heads of NCIS. (R)

9.00 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. Catherine is forced to revisit an old murder case. Guest starring Henry Thomas (ET). (R)

10.00 CSI: NY. The team investigates the apparent death of a cage fighter.

10.55 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. The unit is brought into conflict with the Pentagon.

11.50 Inside Hollywood. Magazine show.

12.00 SuperCasino. 3.55 Great Scientists. (R) 4.50 Rough Guide to Eco Escapes. (R) 5.00 Hand's Helpline. (R) 10.10 The Milkshake Show. (R) 5.35 Thomas & Friends. (R) 5.45 Roary the Racing Car. (R)

ITV2

3.00 American Idol 5.45 Film: E.T.: The Extra-Terrestrial (1982) 8.00 Celebrity Grimefighters 9.05 Britain's Got More Talent 10.05 One Direction: The Hot Desk 10.20 Take Me Out – The Gossip 11.05 Celebrity Juice 11.50 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records

ITV3

2.40 Film: Calamity Jane (1953) 4.40 Rosemary & Thyme 5.45 A Touch of Frost 8.00 Doc Martin 9.00 Foyle's War. Foyle's son disappears. Last in the series. 11.00 Those Who Kill

ITV4

3.20 Film: Spartacus (1960) 7.00 The Sweeney 8.00 Rookie Builders 9.00 An Audience with Billy Connolly. The Big Yin entertains a celebrity crowd. 10.10 Film: Full Metal Jacket (1987)

BBC THREE

7.00 Doctor Who 7.45 Doctor Who Confidential 8.00 Top Gear 9.00 Film: Anchorman: The Legend of Ron Burgundy. (2004) Newsroom comedy, starring Will Ferrell. 10.35 World Series of Dating 11.05 Family Guy 11.50 American Dad!

BBC FOUR

7.00 Lost Cities of the Ancients 8.00 Monty Don's Italian Gardens 9.00 Inspector Montalbano. The detective believes a car crash was no accident. 10.35 Top of the Pops: 1977 11.05 Lost Cities of the Ancients

FILM

1.30 Hollyoaks 4.05 Rules of Engagement 4.35 Scrubs 5.35 The Big Bang Theory 7.00 How I Met Your Mother 7.30 Rules of Engagement 8.30 Happy Endings 9.00 Film: Broken Arrow. (1996) Action thriller, with John Travolta and Christian Slater. 11.10 The Big Bang Theory

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PERSPECTIVES: LENNY HENRY – FINDING SHAKESPEARE

ITV1, 10.15pm

In 2009 Lenny Henry made his debut as Othello at the West Yorkshire Playhouse; Henry's performance was hugely praised, and the production transferred to the West End. More recently he's starred in the National Theatre's acclaimed take on The Comedy of Errors. Not bad going for a guy who once claimed to had a deep-seated aversion to Shakespeare, especially his "gobble-de-gook" language. Now Henry wants the rest of us to embrace the Bard, just as he's done, and he makes a start by hosting this documentary.

6.00 Breakfast. 7.35 Match of the Day. (R) 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show. 10.00 The Big Questions. 11.00 Country Tracks; (R) Weather for the Week Ahead. 12.00 Sunday Politics. 1.05 EastEnders. 2.55 Bargain Hunt. (R) 3.40 Escape to the Country. (R) 4.40 Songs of Praise. 5.15 Titanic with Len Goodman. (R) 5.45 Land Girls. (R)

6.30 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.

7.00 **Countryfile**. Matt Baker visits a family farm in County Durham, while Julia Bradbury learns about an adder project on the moors and improvements to the River Wear's cleanliness.

8.00 **Antiques Roadshow**. Fiona Bruce and the team head to the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club in Wimbledon, where items of interest include a valuable brooch and one of John McEnroe's racquets.

9.00 **Silent Witness**. New series. Part one of two. A triple murder looks like the work of a known serial killer.

10.00 **BBC News; Regional News; Weather**.

10.25 **Room 101 – Extra Storage**. With Alice Cooper, Chris Tarrant and Chris Packham.

11.05 **The Syndicate**. Drama about a group of lottery winners, starring Timothy Spall. (R)

12.05 **The Sky at Night**. 12.25 Weatherview. 12.30 **Sign Zone**: Armandino's Tale of Charles Dickens. (R) 1.30 **Holby City**. (R) 2.30 **One Night**. (R) 3.30 **BBC News**.

6.00 **CBeebies**. 7.00 **CBBC**. 10.00 **Saturday Kitchen**. Best Bites. 11.30 Film: 4 for Texas. (1963) Comedy Western, starring Dean Martin and Frank Sinatra. 1.20 Film: *III Met by Moonlight*. (1957) Fact-based Second World War thriller, starring Dirk Bogarde. 3.05 Film: *The Wind and the Lion*. (1975) Period adventure, with Sean Connery. 5.00 *Flog It!* (R)

6.00 **TOP2: Girl Groups**. Archive performances by some of the most popular all-girl groups to have appeared on the show since the 1960s, including the Supremes, Spice Girls and the Pointer Sisters. (R)

7.00 **Sandhurst**. The cadets face the prospect of killing the enemy. Previously shown on BBC4.

8.00 **The Best of Top Gear**. Another collection of highlights from the show's 17th and 18th series, in which Jeremy Clarkson, Richard Hammond and James May go up to more motoring mischief.

9.00 **The Falklands Legacy with Max Hastings**. The 1982 conflict's enduring influence.

10.00 **Match of the Day 2**. Including highlights of Newcastle United v Liverpool.

11.00 **Twenty Twelve**. Part one of two. The spoof documentary following the Olympic Deliverance team returns. (R)

11.30 **Film: Michael Collins**. (1996) Fact-based political drama, starring Liam Neeson.

1.35 **BBC News**. 3.30 Close.

6.00 **CITYV**: *Mini CITY*. 7.25 **CITYV**. 9.25 **ITV News**. 9.30 **Ade in Britain**. (R) 10.30 **May the Best House Win**. (R) 11.30 **Dickinson's Real Deal**. (R) 12.30 **ITV News; Weather**. 12.35 **You've Been Framed**. (R) 1.05 **Britain's Got Talent**. (R) 2.05 **Film: Columbo: A Case of Immunity**. (1975) Detective drama, starring Peter Falk. 3.40 **Midsomer Murders**. (R) 5.40 **Regional News**; Weather. 5.55 **ITV News; Weather**.

6.10 **The Hoobs**. (R) 6.35 **The Hoobs**. (R) 7.00 **Road to London 2012: That Paralympic Show**. (R) 7.30 **Channel 4 Presents – 2012: David Clarke – Part Two**. (R) 7.35 **Sailing**. America's Cup Uncovered. (R) 8.00 **Everybody Loves Raymond**. (R) 8.30 **Everybody Loves Raymond**. (R) 8.55 **Frasier**. (R) 9.25 **Frasier**. (R) 10.00 **Sunday Brunch**. 12.00 **The Big Bang Theory**. (R) 12.30 **The Simpsons**. (R) 1.30 **ITV News; Weather**.

6.10 **FILM: Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince**. (2009) Fantasy adventure sequel, with Daniel Radcliffe.

9.00 **Titanic**. Muriel Batley grows tired of her husband John's fawning, and reveals she knows a secret about the Earl, while engineer Jim Maloney meets a passenger who unsettles his wife.

10.00 **ITV News at Ten**; Weather.

10.15 **Perspectives: Lenny Henry – Finding Shakespeare**. The comedian charts his changing relationship with the Bard, from finding his works boring as a child to starring in productions of Othello and The Comedy of Errors.

11.15 **Premiership Rugby Union**. Craig Doyle presents action from the latest fixtures, including Leicester Tigers v Worcester Warriors, Bath v Northampton Saints and Saracens v Harlequins.

12.10 **The Zone**; **ITV News Headlines**. 2.30 **River Monsters**. (R) 3.20 **ITV Nightscreen**. 5.30 **ITV Morning News**.

6.10 **The Hoobs**. (R) 6.35 **The Hoobs**. (R) 7.00 **Road to London 2012: That Paralympic Show**. (R) 7.30 **Channel 4 Presents – 2012: David Clarke – Part Two**. (R) 7.35 **Sailing**. America's Cup Uncovered. (R) 8.00 **Everybody Loves Raymond**. (R) 8.30 **Everybody Loves Raymond**. (R) 8.55 **Frasier**. (R) 9.25 **Frasier**. (R) 10.00 **Sunday Brunch**. 12.00 **The Big Bang Theory**. (R) 12.30 **The Simpsons**. (R) 1.30 **ITV News; Weather**.

6.25 **Deal or No Deal**. 7.25 **Channel 4 News**. 7.55 **4thought.tv**. A member of the public discusses turning away from mainstream religion.

8.00 **Disasters at Sea: Why Ships Sink**. An investigation into why maritime catastrophes still occur.

9.00 **Homeland**. The CIA tracks down Aileen before she reaches Mexico, while Carrie and Brody grow closer – only for a slip-up on her part to jeopardise their relationship.

10.10 **FILM: Sorority Row**. (2009) Premiere. Horror remake, starring Briana Evigan.

12.05 **Film: The Descent**. (2005) Horror, starring Shauna Macdonald and Natalie Mendoza. 1.55 Film: *5x2: Cinq Fois Deux*. (2004) Drama, starring Valeria Bruni Tedeschi and Stéphane Freiss. 3.30 **Meeting Helen**. (R) 3.40 **Honeymoon**. (R) 4.10 **Hollyoaks**. (R)

6.00 **Milkshake!** Peppa Pig. 6.05 **Roary the Racing Car**. (R) 6.15 **Fifi and the Flowertots**. (R) 6.25 **City of Friends**. (R) 6.35 **Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs**. (R) 6.55 **Castle Farm**. (R) 6.55 **Igami Ogami**. (R) 7.05 **Roobarb and Custard Too**. (R) 7.10 **Bananas in Pyjamas**. (R) 7.25 **Family!** (R) 7.35 **Make Way for Noddy**. (R) 7.45 **Milkshake!** Monkey. (R) 7.50 **Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures**. (R) 8.00 **Little Princess**. (R) 8.15 **The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky**. (R) 8.30 **Angelina Ballerina**. (R) 8.45 **Rupert Bear**. (R) 8.55 **Milkshake!** Show Songs. 9.00 **Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom**. (R) 9.15 **The Mr Men Show**. (R) 9.25 **Roary the Racing Car**. (R) 9.40 **Mist: Sheepdog Tales**. (R) 10.00 **Inside Hollywood**. (R) 10.10 **Grey's Anatomy**. (R) 11.05 **Big Body Squad**. (R) 12.05 **Emergency Bikers**. (R) 1.05 **Cowboy Builders**. (R) 2.00 **Film: Winnie the Pooh**. (2011) **Time Flies** with Roo. (2004) Premiere. Animated adventure, with the voice of Jim Cummings. 3.15 **Film: High School Musical 3: Senior Year**. (2008) Teen musical sequel, starring Zac Efron and Vanessa Hudgens. 5.25 **News**. 5.30 **Film: Mrs Doubtfire**. (1993) Comedy, with Robin Williams.

8.00 **Once Upon a Time**. 9.00 **FILM: Rush Hour 2**. (2001) Action comedy sequel, starring Jackie Chan and Chris Tucker.

10.40 **FILM: In Hell**. (2003) Adventure, with Jean-Claude Van Damme.

12.35 **The World of Stupid Criminals**. (R) 1.05 **SuperCasino**. 4.00 **The FBI Files**. (R) 4.50 **Rough Guide to Islands**. (R) 5.00 **Hand's Helpline**. (R) 5.10 **The Milkshake!** Show. (R) 5.35 **Thomas & Friends**. (R) 5.45 **Roary the Racing Car**. (R)

ITV2
3.00 **All Star Family Fortunes**. 4.00 **Film: Dennis** (1993) 5.55 **The Cube**. 6.55 **Britain's Got Talent**. 8.00 **Britain's Got More Talent**. 9.00 **Bendorm**. Mick discovers a secret about Madge's husband-to-be. 10.00 **Film: Hellboy II: The Golden Army** (2008)

ITV3
3.40 **An Audience with Cliff Richard**. 4.45 **An Audience with Diana Ross**. 5.50 **Agatha Christie's Poirot**. 9.00 **Film: The Witches of Eastwick**. (1987) Fantasy comedy, starring Jack Nicholson. 11.15 **Cracker**

ITV4
11.00 **Live British Touring Car Championship**. The opening round of the season from Brands Hatch. 6.00 **The Sweeney**. 7.00 **Minder**. 8.00 **Premiership Rugby Union**. 9.00 **Film: Play Misty for Me**. (1971) Psychological thriller, directed by and starring Clint Eastwood. 11.10 **Film: The Long Kiss Goodnight** (1996)

BBC THREE
7.00 **The Voice UK**. 8.25 **Film: Streetdance**. (2010) Drama, starring Nichola Burley. 10.00 **Pramface**. 10.30 **Family Guy**. 11.15 **American Dad!**

BBC FOUR
7.00 **The Pharaoh Who Conquered the Sea**. 8.00 **The Man Who Discovered Egypt**. 9.00 **Madness on Wheels: Rallying's Craziest Years**. The motorsport's Group B era. 10.00 **Film: City of Life and Death** (2009)

E4
3.10 **Being Erica**. 4.10 **Ugly Betty**. 8.05 **90210**. Naomi embarrasses herself while trying to get over Austin. 9.00 **Desperate Housewives**. 11.00 **Skins**

FILM4
2.45 **Aquamarine** (2006) 4.45 **Stardust** (2007) 7.10 **The Seeker: The Dark Is Rising** (2007) 9.00 **Sleeping with the Enemy**. (1991) Thriller, starring Julia Roberts. 10.55 **Donkey Punch** (2008) Thriller, starring Jaime Winstone.

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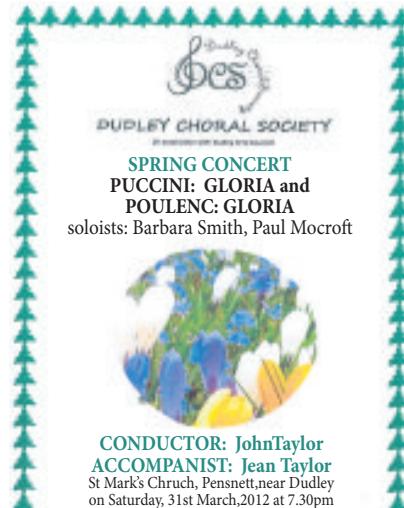
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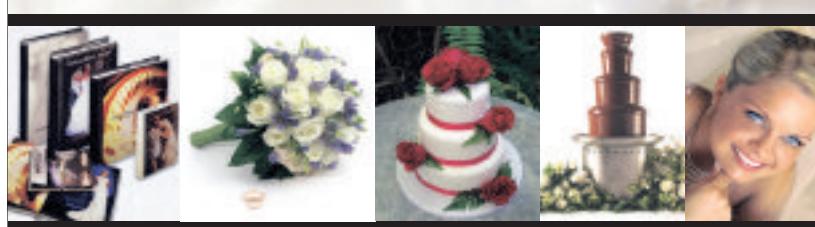
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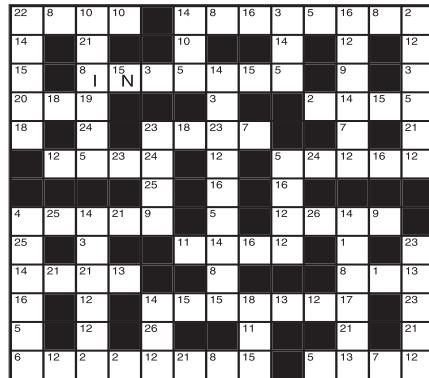
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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

Cryptic Clues:

Across

- At which one comes to the parting of the ways (10)
- Rod, pole or perch (5)
- Scouts go round after fifty insects (7)
- Pickle, perhaps, specially for game (8)
- It may be precious, though nothing to a friend (4)
- Stand up perhaps to receive the sweep (7)
- It's useful for plotters (5,5)
- No pegs, perhaps, for washing (6)
- Tree in hand (4)
- Labels difficult to get rid of? (8)
- Storm about like a politician in a fury (7)
- Prepared to explode - or prepared not to explode! (5)
- So comical one is when saving (10)

Down

- Many are fond of a bit of spice (5)
- Notes the material for making a film (2,3,3)
- Without it, the speaker would dry up! (6)
- A singular occasion (4)
- Stand up perhaps to receive the sweep (7)
- It's useful for plotters (5,5)
- Beefy team of sterling worth? (10)
- Precise remedy (8)
- Mohammedan claims I am converted (7)
- Master's current form (6)
- It may support a board of education (5)
- Father in agony (4)

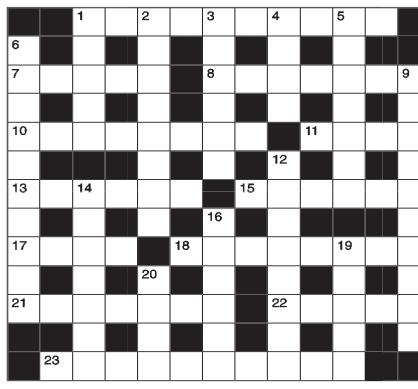
Quick Clues:

Across

- On the whole (2,3,5)
- Respond (5)
- Of pottery (7)
- Border (8)
- Dejected (4)
- Ebb (6)
- Opposed (6)
- Standard (4)
- Serenity (8)
- Building (7)
- Bake (5)
- Stay away from school (4,6)

Down

- Well done! (5)
- Posture (8)
- Edict (6)
- Area measure (4)
- Speculator (7)
- Choice (10)
- Make amends (10)
- Hail Mary (3,5)
- Friendly (7)
- Rush (6)
- Precise (5)
- Very small (4)



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 6 Prophet; 7 Danes; 9 Tot; 10 Adoration; 12 Septicemia; 15 Second-class; 17 How are you; 19 Rod; 21 Knee; 22 Desired; Down: 1 Brood; 2 Spy; 3 Lead; 4 Past tense; 5 Deposit; 8 Ursac; 11 Decorated; 13 Tidied; 14 Recount; 16 Cones; 18 Over; 20 Vim. QUICK - Across: 6 Beguile; 7 Quiet; 9 Gay; 10 Stretcher; 12 Deliverance; 15 Story-teller; 17 Provender; 19 Try; 21 Elite; 22 Agility. Down: 1 Decay; 2 Cut; 3 Flat; 4 Purchaser; 5 Defence; 8 Reveal; 11 Depravity; 13 Intone; 14 Starlite; 16 Frite; 18 Edge; 20 Old.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

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- Impressive three storey town house
- Four bedrooms
- Master with en suite shower room
- Spacious kitchen with built in oven & hob
- Splendid fitted kitchen with built in oven, hob and fridge/freezer
- Ground floor cloakroom/w.c
- First floor bathroom
- Electric heating and upvc double glazing
- Delightful rear garden and driveway

£595 pcm No DSS



PENSNETT, PRIMROSE PARK

PENSNETT, PRIMROSE PARK

- Impressive furnished modern mid townhouse
- Two bedrooms
- Splendid lounge
- Superb breakfast kitchen with appliances
- Ground floor cloakroom/w.c
- Bathroom with shower over the bath
- Gas Central heating and upvc double glazing
- Delightful rear garden

£550 pcm No DSS



BRIERLEY HILL, GORDON CRESCENT

BRIERLEY HILL, GORDON CRESCENT

- Impressive ground floor apartment
- One double bedroom
- Splendid lounge with feature fire
- Superb fitted dining kitchen with cooker, fridge and washing machine
- Bathroom with shower over the bath
- UPVC double garage
- Garage and parking to the rear

£395 pcm No DSS No Pets



PENSNETT, HODNET DRIVE



PENSNETT, 42 BELL STREET

- Superb traditional semi detached property
- Three bedrooms
- Attractive lounge with feature fire place
- Fitted dining kitchen with cooker and fridge
- Bathroom with separate shower cubical
- Gas central heating & upvc double glazing
- Delightful rear garden

£525 pcm No Pets



QUARRY BANK, THORNHILL ROAD

- Impressive semi-detached property
- Two bedrooms
- Splendid lounge
- Superb kitchen with oven and hob
- Bathroom with shower over the bath
- Gas central heating
- UPVC double glazing
- Delightful rear garden

£500 pcm No DSS No Pets



PENSNETT, BELL STREET

- Superb traditional house
- Three bedrooms
- Lounge with separate dining room
- Completely fitted kitchen with built-in oven and hob
- Splendid lounge
- Gas central heating and upvc double glazing
- Delightful rear garden
- Garage & Driveway

£550 pcm



TIPTON, HURST LANE

- Impressive second floor apartment
- Two bedroom
- Splendid lounge
- Superb fitted kitchen with oven, hob &ridge freezer
- Attractive bathroom with shower over the bath
- UPVC double glazing & gas central heating
- Allocated parking

£475 pcm No DSS



BRIERLEY HILL, DADFORD VIEW

- Superb first floor apartment
- Two bedrooms
- Splendid lounge diner
- Superb fitted kitchen with cooker, fridge, freezer and washing machine
- Bathroom with shower over the bath
- Electric heating & double glazing
- Intercom entrance hall
- Allocated parking

£395 pcm No Pets



PENSNETT, ST MARKS COURT

- Impressive ground floor apartment
- Opposite Russells Hall Hospital
- One double bedroom
- Splendid lounge
- Superb fitted kitchen with breakfast bar, cooker, fridge, freezer and washing machine
- UPVC double glazing and electric heating
- Allocated parking
- Minimum 12 month let

£375 pcm No DSS No Pets

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- ★ Detached family home
- ★ Three bedrooms
- ★ Two reception rooms
- ★ Cul-de-sac position
- ★ Must be viewed
- ★ No upward chain

£129,950

5 BRENTON ROAD, PENN, WV4 5NS
SATURDAY 31st MARCH: 2-4PM




- ★ An extended semi-detached home
- ★ Two reception rooms
- ★ Three bedrooms
- ★ Off road parking & garage
- ★ Central heating & double glazing

£175,000

65 RUITON STREET, LOWER GORNAL, DY3 2EH
SATURDAY 31st MARCH: 9-11AM




- ★ Modern detached bungalow
- ★ Two bedrooms
- ★ Conservatory
- ★ Fitted kitchen
- ★ Cul-de-sac location
- ★ Well presented.

£172,500

9 TAMAR DRIVE, SEDGLEY, DY3 1DA
SUNDAY 1st APRIL: 2-4PM




- ★ A fantastic & extended detached bungalow
- ★ Two bedrooms
- ★ Central heating & double glazing
- ★ Off road parking & garage
- ★ INTERIOR VIEWING IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

£214,950

10 GROSVENOR CT, LOWER GORNAL, DY3 2PR
SATURDAY 31st MARCH: 10AM-12 / SUNDAY 1st APRIL: 10AM-12




- ★ One bedroom apartment
- ★ Recently refurbished
- ★ Good sized lounge
- ★ plus kitchen
- ★ Bedroom with mirrored wardrobes
- ★ Parking to the rear

OFFERS OVER £60,000

73 GOODRICH MEWS, UPPER GORNAL, DY3 2FB
SATURDAY 31st MARCH: 11AM-2PM / SUNDAY 1st APRIL: 11AM-2PM




- ★ Modern second floor apartment
- ★ Two bedrooms
- ★ Living room plus dining area
- ★ Fully fitted kitchen
- ★ Parking for 2 vehicles
- ★ VIEWING RECOMMENDED

Reduced to £99,950

PARKES HALL ROAD, WOODSETTON, DY1 3SR
SATURDAY 31st MARCH: 1-3PM




- ★ Newley converted stylish apartments
- ★ Beautifully renovated to a high standard
- ★ Selection of 1 & 2 Bedrooms
- ★ Ground & first floor
- ★ Double glazing
- ★ Allocated Parking
- ★ VIEWINGS ADVISED

FROM £70,000

8 STRATHERN DRIVE, HURST HILL, WV14 9HE
SATURDAY 31st MARCH: 10AM-12 / SUNDAY 1st APRIL 10AM-12




- ★ A three storey mid town house
- ★ Three bedrooms
- ★ Cul-de-sac location
- ★ 16ft living room
- ★ Laundrette & Wc
- ★ garage
- ★ Off road parking

£135,000

30 STRATHERN DRIVE, HURST HILL, WV14 9HE
SUNDAY 1st APRIL: 1-4PM



- ★ Three storey home
- ★ Central heating & double glazing
- ★ 3 bedrooms
- ★ Garage and utility
- ★ Stunning Views!!!

Reduced to £144,000

4 HINCHIFFE AVENUE, COSELEY, WV14 9PQ
SATURDAY 31st MARCH: 10AM-12



- ★ Extended semi-detached home
- ★ Kitchen
- ★ Three bedrooms
- ★ Extended
- ★ Conservatory / lean to
- ★ Integral garage

£99,950

21 BANK STREET, COSELEY, WV14 9JF
SUNDAY 1st APRIL: 2-4PM




- ★ Convenient positioned detached
- ★ Three bedrooms plus bathroom
- ★ Stylish lounge and kitchen
- ★ Easily maintained garden
- ★ Close to Railway station
- ★ Viewings recommended!!

Reduced to £134,995

31 CENTRAL DRIVE, COSELEY, WV14 8YS
SATURDAY 31st MARCH: 10AM-2PM



- ★ Spacious 2nd floor flat
- ★ Two bedrooms
- ★ Fitted kitchen
- ★ Central heating
- ★ Ideal investment opportunity

£62,950

20 SUTTON COURT, ETTINGSHALL PARK, WV14 6QW
SUNDAY 1st APRIL: 10AM-2PM




- ★ An immaculate first floor flat
- ★ Tastefully presented
- ★ Open plan kitchen / lounge area
- ★ One bedroom
- ★ Shower room
- ★ Central heating & double glazing

£69,950

273 LAUREL ROAD, DUDLEY, DT1 3NW
SATURDAY 31st MARCH: 12-2PM / SUNDAY 1st APRIL: 12-2PM




- ★ Desirable semi-detached
- ★ Three generous bedrooms
- ★ Two reception rooms
- ★ Stylish kitchen
- ★ Low maintenance rear garden
- ★ Must be viewed !!

£99,950

8 WARD STREET, COSELEY, WV14 9LQ
SATURDAY 31st MARCH: 10AM-2PM



- ★ Convenient positioned detached
- ★ Three bedrooms
- ★ Double glazing
- ★ Private rear garden
- ★ Central heating & double glazing

£145,000

66 WOODHILL DRIVE, WOMBOURNE, WV5 0DY
SATURDAY 31st MARCH: 11AM-1PM / SUNDAY 1st APRIL: 11AM-1PM



- ★ Semi-detached
- ★ Three bedrooms
- ★ Double glazing
- ★ Spacious lounge
- ★ Popular location

£112,500

12 CARSFIELD GROVE, WOLVERHAMPTON, WV2 0QZ
SATURDAY 31st MARCH: 10-2PM




- ★ A Modern family home
- ★ Three bedrooms
- ★ Delightful rear garden
- ★ Off road parking
- ★ Must Be Viewed !!

£99,995

78 STEVEN DRIVE, COSELEY, WV14 8YS
SUNDAY 1st APRIL: 10AM-2PM



- ★ Modern semi-detached home
- ★ 2 beds
- ★ No upward chain
- ★ Double glazing
- ★ central heating
- ★ Off road parking

Offers Over £95,000

49 BROADMOOR ROAD, BILSTON, WV14 0RP
SATURDAY 31st MARCH: 10AM-12



- ★ Semi detached home
- ★ Three bedrooms
- ★ Ground floor
- ★ Off road parking
- ★ Garage

£92,500

DUDLEY ROAD, SEDGLEY
REMOVED



- ★ Impressive detached home
- ★ Five bedrooms
- ★ Two elegant reception rooms
- ★ Dining kitchen, utility and laundry
- ★ Downstairs WC off spacious hall
- ★ Spacious driveway with double entrance

£239,950

BRELADES CLOSE, MILKING BANK
REMOVED



- ★ Five bed detached
- ★ Two reception rooms
- ★ Two bathrooms
- ★ Spacious dining kitchen
- ★ Central heating & double glazing
- ★ Extremely popular location

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• Bay Fronted Extended Semi Detached • Three Double Bedrooms • Extended Bedroom One • Through Lounge/Dining Room • Extended Kitchen • Garage • Gas Central Heating System • Double Glazing Where Stated • Low Maintenance Rear Garden • Driveway

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£110,000

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• Much Improved Detached Residence • Three Bedrooms • Two Reception Rooms • Sun Lounge • Ground Floor Cloakroom • Bathroom • Kitchen • Double Glazing Where Stated • Rear Garden • Driveway

£150,000

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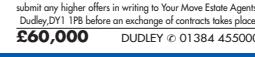
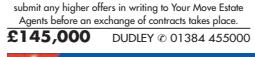
• Mid Terraced Residence • Two Bedrooms • Roof Garden From Bedroom One • Lounge • Kitchen • Ground Floor Bathroom • Gas Central Heating System • Double Glazing Where Stated

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TIVIDALE**LYES CROSS LANE**

• Much Improved Extended Semi Detached • Two Bedrooms • Front & Extended Reception Rooms • Extended Breakfast Kitchen • Conservatory • Attic Room • Gas Central Heating System • Double Glazing Where Stated • Driveway

£115,000

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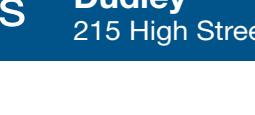
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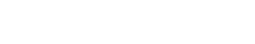
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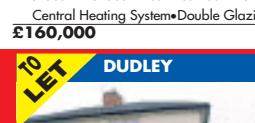
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• An Improved Semi Detached • Two Bedrooms • Open Plan Lounge/Fitted Kitchen • Ground Floor Cloakroom • Gas Central Heating System • Double Glazing Where Stated • Rear Garden • Drive

£85,000

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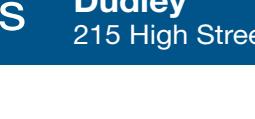
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Price: £199,950 - BRAND NEW



Oak Park Road

This beautifully presented, uPVC Double Glazed Gas Centrally Heated, two Bedroomed Detached Bungalow has been conscientiously maintained by the current owners, and is well worthy of internal inspection. Accommodation briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, stylish Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, Double Bedroom with a range of 'beech' effect units & various integrated appliances, two Double Bedrooms, refitted Bathroom with white suite, Garage, Driveway and a pleasant rear Garden. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers around £177,950



Greensand Drive

An attractive, spacious, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed detached enviably situated upon fine corner plot with good distant views. Accommodation provides reception hall, fitted cloakroom, through 17'7" dining room with uPVC double doors out to garden, 16'1" dual kitchen with a range of 'beech' effect units & various integrated appliances, pantry. Three generous bedrooms (principal bedroom with shower room), house bathroom, UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING and large rear garden, further parking. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £169,950

UPPER GORNAL



Windmill Street

A PARTICULARLY SPACIOUS, significantly enhanced & successfully EXTENDED, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi-detached house in a popular, district. Accommodation includes: entrance hall, modern refitted dining kitchen with a fine range of 'beech' effect units & various integrated appliances (double french doors to garden), partly open plan living room, four bedrooms (one with fitted units), reappointed bathroom with white suite, LARGE GARAGE with utility room beyond & a shower room, neat gardens. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £159,950

LOWER GORNAL



Manor Drive

A significantly EXTENDED, uPVC double glazed ("woodgrain effect"), gas centrally heated, semi-detached bungalow, within reasonable walking distance of the village centre. Accommodation includes 23'3" lounge, separate sitting room, kitchen, two double bedrooms, bathroom. Lengthy car port (brick block drive), garage, "low maintenance" gardens. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £159,950

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Winlock Close, Brownswall Estate

Extremely situated towards the head of a quiet cul de sac on the popular Brownswall estate, this traditional bay fronted, majority double glazed & gas centrally heated semi-detached house, with NO UPWARD CHAIN, offers sympathetic modernisation/improvement yet offers excellent potential & is available with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Accommodation comprises: entrance porch, entrance hall, part-rear lounge with bay 17'10" living/dining room, extended 14'5" kitchen & utility room beyond, three bedrooms, bathroom, garage, driveway & lawned gardens. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £154,950

COSELEY



Cedar Avenue, Bramford Estate

An EXTENDED & conscientiously maintained, freehold, gas centrally heated & double glazed (aluminium & uPVC) semi-detached with EXCEPTIONALLY LENGTHY GARDEN, in popular, modernised, semi-detached estate, enlarged porch, reception hall, part-rear lounge with bay 17'10" living/dining room, extended 14'5" kitchen & utility room beyond. Three bedrooms, bathroom, garage, large garden with lawns, vegetable plots, greenhouses, fruit trees. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £144,950

COSELEY



Cox Road

This modern style, majority uPVC double glazed & gas centrally heated semi detached home is available with NO UPWARD CHAIN & is sure to appeal to both first time buyers & young families alike. Accommodation briefly comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining kitchen, guest w.c., three bedrooms, bathroom, garage, driveway & a low maintenance garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £114,950

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Limes Avenue

This fine property will be of particular interest to the first time buyer / young family, the traditionally styled 2 bedroomed accommodation has gas central heating and upvc double glazing and must be viewed, and comprises, inner hall, lounge, refitted Avanti kitchen, two first floor double bedrooms, white bathroom suite, fully fenced rear garden, gravelled hardstanding to the front, must be seen. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers around £84,950

LOWER GORNAL



VACANT - PART EXCHANGE CONSIDERED - OTHER INCENTIVES - An elegant executive detached constructed to an exemplary specification in recent months on periphery of select development just off The Straits. The gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed accommodation includes imposing reception hall, store, fitted cloakroom, magnificent 25'7" through lounge, separate dining room, exceptionally well equipped kitchen with fine range of integrated appliances and wood block work surfaces, laundry. Gallery landing, four bedrooms (principal bedroom with dressing area & shower room en suite), bathroom, extensive block paved parking, garage, landscaped gardens. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £300,000

Straits Road



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Dumbleberry Avenue, Brownswall Estate

A quite exceptional, meticulously maintained & significantly ENLARGED, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached in favoured neighbourhood with walking distance of country park, schools, and so much more. Extended 25'7" hub of the house, dining room with bay, study, utility, double doors through to conservatory, large living/dining room, inner hallway, breakfast room, two double bedrooms, bathroom, separate toilet, garage, sealed/sheltered rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £189,950

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Greenfield View, Brownswall Estate

EXTENDED, comparatively spacious, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached family home in favoured district. Accommodation provides entrance porch, reception hall, store, dining room with bay, extended kitchen, utility, large double glazed CONSERVATORY beyond, kitchen, boiler room, utility area. FOUR BEDROOMS (one with fitted units), bathroom, separate toilet, garage, sealed/sheltered rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

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Offers in the region of £164,950

Vicarage Road West



Offers in the region of £164,950

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WOLVERHAMPTON



Farrington Road, Ettingshall Park

NO UPWARD CHAIN. A particularly stylish, freehold, gas centrally heated & primarily double glazed semi detached in favoured district within walking distance of 'The Beacon' & many amenities/shops, etc. Accommodation includes reception hall, lounge with bay, dining room, enlarged kitchen, store, three bedrooms, bathroom, garage, block paved driveway, secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £155,950

KINGSWINFORD



4 BEDROOMS

65 Pagees Road

Enjoying SPECTACULAR VIEWS TOWARDS CLENT HILLS to the rear, this SUCCESSFULLY EXTENDED, now very SPACIOUS, MODERN FOUR BEDROOM SEMI-DETACHED FAMILY HOME is superbly placed within a quiet cul-de-sac in the highly regarded 'The Acre' development, including GAS CENTRAL HEATING, UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: reception hall, SPACIOUS LOUNGE with bay window, modern refitted KITCHEN/BREAKFAST ROOM, FOUR GOOD SIZED BEDROOMS and classic white bathroom. Set back beyond a FULL WIDTH BLOCK-PAVED DRIVEWAY with approach to a large, paved sun terrace, all set within a large, well-maintained REAR GARDEN. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £154,950

LOWER GORNAL



Deepdale Lane

Deceptively spacious, ENLARGED, three bedroom semi detached with BASEMENT FLAT that has been 'transformed' in recent years and the gas centrally heated, uPVC double glazed accommodation comprises: entrance hall, through lounge, dining room, kitchen, bathroom, separate WC, double garage, large rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £154,950

WOODSETTON



Brook Street

An attractive, modernised & conscientiously maintained, freehold, UPVC DOUBLE GLAZED, gas centrally heated semi detached in well regarded district. Delightful accommodation includes entrance porch, reception hall, fitted cloakroom, sitting room with bay, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom, rear garden, good distant views. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £153,750

SENDERDOWN ROAD, BROWNSWALL ESTATE
A conscientiously maintained, freehold, gas centrally & UPVC DOUBLE GLAZED, traditional semi detached bungalow with potential upon favoured development within walking distance of so many amenities/open fields, etc. A Freestanding detached bungalow, providing a IMMACULATED PRESENTED & BEAUTIFULLY APPOINTED layout, comprising: Reception Hall, Guests Cloaks/ WC, generous lounge, large separate dining room, CONSERVATORY, SPACIOUS RE FITTED DINING KITCHEN with appliances, separate utility, 4 BEDROOMS (one with fitted units), bathroom, separate toilet, garage, block paved driveway, secured/gated rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £159,950

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The Spinney

Delightfully situated in a quiet cul de sac location, this uPVC double glazed & gas centrally heated semi-detached home is well worthy of inspection. Accommodation briefly comprises; entrance hall, lounge, kitchen with a fine range of units, CONSERVATORY, three bedrooms, bathroom, garage, driveway & garden overlooking open woodland. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
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WOODSETTON**NEW PRICE**

Sedgley Road

RARE OPPORTUNITY. STYLISHLY ENGRAVED/EXTENDED 4/5 bedroom semi detached property with a small sought after development. REQUIRING UPDATING and providing much potential to enhance the GENEROUS layout, which includes: GAS CENTRAL HEATING, part uPVC DOUBLE GLAZING, extended/reftited breakfast kitchen with a fine range of 'high gloss white' finish units & a further fifth bedroom beyond. To the rear, floors are laid to befit a modernised bathroom with white suite, sheltered rear garden with rear VEHICULAR ACCESS. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
Offers in the region of £138,950

PENSNETT**NO UPWARD CHAIN**

43 The Plantation

A MODERN, MUCKLOW SEMI DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE, which is delightfully presented & in very good condition. REQUIRING UPDATING and providing much potential to enhance the GENEROUS layout, which includes: GAS CENTRAL HEATING, part uPVC DOUBLE GLAZING, extended/reftited breakfast kitchen with a fine range of 'high gloss white' finish units & a further fifth bedroom beyond. To the rear, floors are laid to befit a modernised bathroom with white suite, sheltered rear garden with rear VEHICULAR ACCESS. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
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Price: £134,950

COSELEY

Bank Street

This modern style, double glazed (vast majority of units being uPVC) & gas centrally heated detached home is conveniently situated for local amenities. It networks are well worth of internal inspection. Accommodation briefly comprises; entrance porch, hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, THREE LARGE BEDROOMS and bathroom. Front garden, DRIVEWAY, GARAGE and a pleasant sunny rear garden with private rear aspect. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE: 01902 880888
Offers in the region of £134,950

WOODSETTON

Griffiths Road

This immaculately presented detached bay-fronted, double glazed (vast majority of units being uPVC), gas centrally heated, three bedroom semi detached home that has been conscientiously maintained by the current owner, and is well worthy of an internal inspection. The stylish accommodation briefly comprises; entrance porch, hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom, garage, driveway & a low maintenance rear garden. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
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COSELEY**NEW PRICE**

Bridgewater Drive

This beautifully presented, modern, semi detached home has been conscientiously maintained by the current owners, and is situated at the head of this popular cul-de-sac. The property is well presented throughout and includes; entrance porch, living room, dining kitchen with a fine range of units, conservatory, study/playroom, guest w.c. Three bedrooms, bathroom with a white suite. Garage, double width driveway, and a low maintenance rear garden. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
Offers in the region of £124,950

KINGSWINFORD**NO UPWARD CHAIN**

2 Gower Avenue

Enjoying a pleasant corner and cul de sac setting within popular High Acres, this GOOD-SIZED MODERN SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOW offers a VERY SPACIOUS and WELL-PROPORTIONED layout of accommodation which requires some updating, including: GAS CENTRAL HEATING, DOUBLE GLAZING, comprising: reception hall, large attractive lounge, inner hall, fitted kitchen, TWO GOOD-SIZED BEDROOMS and bathroom. The property is well presented throughout, including lawn, DRIVEWAY, CARPET and to the rear a pleasant and established garden. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777
Price: £124,950

COSELEY**Kenelm Road**

AN EXTENDED, tremendously modernised, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed inter-war semi detached in quiet/very convenient cul de sac. Accommodation provides enlarged, porch, reception hall, part, 24ft long dining room, separate kitchen, large attractive lounge, inner hall, fitted kitchen, TWO GOOD-SIZED BEDROOMS and bathroom. The property is well presented throughout, including potential garage space, rear garden. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
Offers in the region of £122,000

WOODSETTON

Parkes Hall Road

Modernised, EXTENDED, gas centrally heated (combi boiler) & uPVC double glazed traditional semi detached in established/convenient district. Significant level of improvements, although some 'finishing works' required, accommodation provides enlarged porch, reception hall, 24ft through dining room with bay, double uPVC double glazed CONSERVATORY beyond, extended kitchen, store, three bedrooms, reappointed bathroom with white suite, garage, garden, parking. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
Offers in the region of £119,950

DUDLEY

Denbigh Close

This beautifully presented, modern, uPVC double glazed & gas centrally heated semi detached home has been conscientiously maintained by the present owner and may particularly appeal to first time buyers. Accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom, garage, parking. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
Offers in the region of £116,950

COSELEY

Brooklyn Grove

A Fresh-old, gas centrally heated, uPVC double glazed semi-detached conveniently situated within reasonable distance of bus/rail transport routes, day-to-day shopping facilities etc. and representing a fine family home. Accommodation includes; reception hall, store, separate dining room (with double French doors out to the garden), kitchen with white suite, lounge, rear w.c. Three generous bedrooms, bathroom with white suite. Off road parking to front, secluded rear garden (possibilities of rear access). SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
Offers in the region of £114,950

DUDLEY

Blackthorne Close, Old Park Farm estate

A gas centrally heated, uPVC double glazed semi detached upon WIDER THAN AVERAGE plot (providing tremendous potential) at head of cul-de-sac. The property comprises; entrance porch, reception hall, lounge, transverse dining kitchen (with an upgraded range of 'beech' effect units, integrated oven, hob & filter), and a large utility room/store beyond. Three bedrooms, reappointed bathroom with a white suite, separate w.c. LARGE CAR PORT (19' x 9'2"), good sized garden with potential rear vehicular access. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
Offers in the region of £114,950

UPPER GORNAL

Jews Lane

An extremely stylish, exceptionally well presented, Freehold; gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed end "starter home" constructed by Taylor Wimpey circa. 2009, and covered by remainder of NHBC guarantee. The superb accommodation includes; entrance porch, open plan living/kitchen, integrated breakfast kitchen with a fine range of units and various integrated appliances. Two bedrooms, (principal bedroom with two fitted double wardrobes), part tiled bathroom with a white suite. New carpet, new blinds, new light fittings, and two parking spaces. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
Offers in the region of £109,950

LOWER GORNAL

Redhall Road

A modernised, compactly arranged, SPACIOUS, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed intermediate terrace of character within walking distance of village & all amenities. Delightful accommodation includes lounge, lobby, store, upgraded kitchen with feature flame fireplace, breakfast room with bay, integrated dining, separate w.c. Three BEDROOMS, an upstairs toilet. Lengthy garden. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
Offers in the region of £107,950

LOWER GORNAL

Bank Road

A delightful, most attractive & conveniently situated, traditional, gas centrally heated & mostly uPVC double glazed terraced 'starter home' within walking distance of the village & all amenities. Significantly enhanced accommodation includes; entrance porch, entrance hall, lounge, dining room with a fine range of 'high gloss white' effect units & integrated appliances, useful cellar, two bedrooms, reappointed bathroom with white suite. Expertly tended, sheltered rear garden with a wide range of shrubs and interesting plants vital for total appreciation. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
Offers in the region of £105,950

COSELEY

Avenue Road

NO UPWARD CHAIN. This traditional style, vast majority uPVC double glazed, gas centrally heated semi-detached home is conveniently situated for local amenities and may particularly appeal to first time buyers or young families. The property, which would now ideally benefit from sympathetic improvement/ upgrading, briefly comprises entrance porch, entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms, refitted bathroom with white suite, garage, driveway & a pleasant rear garden. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
Offers in the region of £99,950

COSELEY**NEW PRICE**

Broad Street

This well presented, uPVC double glazed & gas centrally heated semi detached home is situated in an established residential location and may particularly appeal to first time buyers or young families. Accommodation briefly comprises entrance porch, entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms with white suite, garage, driveway & a pleasant rear garden. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
Offers in the region of £99,950

LOWER GORNAL

Brook Street

A significantly modernised & improved, UPVC DOUBLE GLAZED & gas centrally heated traditional intermediate terrace of character within walking distance of village and having tremendous distant views from the rear. Accommodation includes lounge, lobby, store, upgraded kitchen with feature flame fireplace, breakfast kitchen with a fine range of units and various integrated appliances. Two bedrooms, (principal bedroom with two fitted double wardrobes), part tiled bathroom with a white suite. New carpet, new blinds, new light fittings, and two parking spaces. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
Offers in the region of £95,950

LOWER GORNAL

Barr Street

VENDORS ADVISE NO UPWARD CHAIN. An attractive, significantly MODERNISED & upgraded, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed intermediate terrace of character in well regarded neighbourhood convenient for all amenities in the village & country park. Delightful accommodation includes lounge, dining room, kitchen with integrated oven, hob & filter, breakfast room with bay, separate w.c. THREE BEDROOMS, an upstairs toilet. Lengthy garden. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
Offers in the region of £92,950

UPPER GORNAL

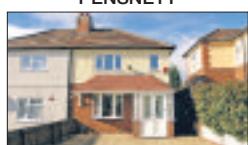
Stonepine Place

A comparatively SPACIOUS, double glazed, GAS CENTRALLY HEATED, Top floor apartment with terrace, double glazing, gas central heating and with a walk-in shower room. Conveniently situated within walking distance of so many amenities. "Entry phone" style access system with accommodation including; reception hall, two double bedrooms, lounge with bay, 15 ft breakfast kitchen with a fine range of units & various integrated appliances, shower room, terrace. Conveniently situated, allocated parking. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
Offers in the region of £89,500

BRIERLEY HILL**NEW PRICE**

Chapel Street

This traditional style, upvc double glazed, gas centrally heated, semi detached home is situated in an established residential location, and may particularly appeal to first time buyers or young families. Accommodation briefly comprises entrance porch, entrance hall, Lounge, Dining Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Shower Room with white suite. Driveway and a pleasant Rear Garden. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265
Offers around £87,500

PENSNETT**BYRON STREET**

This fine traditional semi detached property will be of particular interest to the first time buyer/ young family and offers 2 bedroooms gas centrally heated and upvc double glazed accommodation, including; entrance porch, entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, two bedrooms with white suite, garage, driveway to the rear, off road parking to the front, must be seen. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265
Offers around £85,995

COSELEY**NEW PRICE**

Central Drive

This well presented, gas centrally heated, two bedroom second floor apartment is conveniently situated for local amenities and is well worth a viewing. The property is currently available for immediate occupation. The accommodation briefly comprises secure communal entrance, hallway, stylish lounge with bay, refitted kitchen with a fine range of units, two double bedrooms, refitted bathroom with white suite and communal gardens. SEDGELEY OFFICE 01902 880888
Offers in the region of £62,950

SEDGELEY**Dudley Road**

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Highbridge Road, Dudley

Offers Over £110,000 **NEW**

Semi detached three bedroom property briefly comprising lounge, kitchen/diner, downstairs wc, bathroom, front and rear gardens and driveway.

COMING SOON Jockey Fields

Two bedroom maisonette briefly comprising, lounge/diner, kitchen and bathroom. Also benefitting from a garden. This property must be viewed to fully appreciate.

COMING SOON Bredon Road

Semi detached three bedroom property briefly comprising from two reception rooms, kitchen and bathroom.

Windsor Crescent, Dudley

Guide Price £80,000 **NEW**

End terraced three bedroom property briefly comprising lounge, dining room, kitchen with utility section, family bathroom, rear garden and driveway.

Helford Close, Tipton

£100,000 **NEW**

Semi detached two bedroom property briefly comprising of a lounge, kitchen/diner, bathroom, front and rear gardens and driveway.



The Moorings, Oldbury

Offers Over £40,000 **NEW PRICE**

One bedroom apartment briefly comprising landing with doors to lounge, shower room and bedroom, property also benefits from allocated parking.



Tansley Hill Avenue, Dudley

Offers Over £120,000

Semi detached three bedroom property briefly comprising lounge, modern kitchen/diner, bathroom, rear garden and driveway. Must be viewed to appreciate.



Park Lane West, Tipton

Offers Over £75,000

Mid terraced two bedroom property briefly comprising of a kitchen/diner, lounge and bathroom. Benefiting from a rear garden.



Yew Tree Hills, Dudley

Offers Over £190,000

Detached four bedroom property briefly comprising lounge, kitchen/diner, utility, en-suite, bathroom, double garage, rear gardens and driveway.



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Barncroft Road, Tividale

£90,000

Semi detached three bedroom property briefly comprising lounge/diner, kitchen, downstairs wc, family bathroom, rear garden and driveway. Viewing essential.



City Road, Tividale

£64,950

Semi detached two bedroom property briefly comprising lounge, kitchen, conservatory, downstairs bathroom and front and rear gardens.



Acacia Close, Dudley

Offers Over £105,000

End terraced two bedroom property briefly comprising lounge, kitchen, bathroom, rear garden and driveway. Must be viewed to fully appreciate.



Dalston Close, Dudley

Offers Over £85,000

Mid terraced three bedroom property briefly comprising lounge, kitchen/diner, family bathroom, and front and rear gardens. Viewing essential.



Spring Parklands, Dudley

Offers Over £115,000 **NEW PRICE**

Semi detached three bedroom property briefly comprising lounge, dining room, kitchen, bathroom, rear garden, driveway and garage. Must be viewed to appreciate.



Langley Avenue, Bilston

Offers Over £90,000

Well presented terraced three bedroom property comprising lounge, kitchen/diner, bathroom, rear garden and driveway. Viewing recommended.



Southgate Way, Dudley

£63,950

A two bedroom lower ground floor flat, briefly comprising lounge and bathroom. Must be viewed to appreciate this accommodation.



Regent Road, Tividale

Offers Over £110,000

Semi detached three bedroom property briefly comprising kitchen, outside wc, family bathroom, rear garden and driveway. Must be viewed to be appreciated.



43 Belper Row, Dudley, DY2 9LP

PUBLIC NOTICE

We are acting for the mortgagees and have received an offer of £85,000 on the above property. Any interested parties must submit any higher offers in writing to the selling agent before an exchange of contracts takes place.



Andrew Grant



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OPEN HOUSE 31st MARCH 10.00am till 11am

PEDMORE ROAD, LYE

A Three Bedroom Terrace Property

Sitting Room, Dining Room,

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Three Bedrooms, Rear Garden.

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GAUDEN ROAD, STOURBRIDGE

A Deceptively Spacious Two Bedroom

Bungalow Situated In This Popular Location

Reception hall, sitting room, kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom, garage, front and rear gardens.

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A Well Presented Four Bedroom Detached Residence Situated In The Popular Location.

Reception Hall, Fitted Cloakroom, Sitting Room, Defined Dining Area, Conservatory, Breakfast Kitchen, Landing, Four Bedrooms, En-Suite, House Bathroom, Garage and Rear Gardens.

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**KINGSWINFORD
194 STANDHILLS ROAD**

£725 pcm

Traditional detached house close to all amenities ■ front lounge, dining room with patio doors leading to rear garden, fitted kitchen, separate utility room, g/wc ■ three bedrooms, bathroom with shower ■ garage, rear garden with patio area and summerhouse, c/h, d/g.



**TIPTON
1 JEPONS DRIVE**

£675 pcm

Modern semi-detached three storey house ■ entrance hall, g/wc, breakfast kitchen ■ four bedrooms, master with built-in wardrobes and en-suite, one additional en-suite plus house bathroom ■ garage, rear garden, c/h, d/g.



**KINGSWINFORD
57 HAWKESWELL DRIVE**

£650 pcm

Modern end town house ■ rear lounge, fitted kitchen with integrated appliances, g/wc ■ three bedrooms, master with ensuite and fitted wardrobes, bathroom ■ rear garden with patio area, c/h, d/g, alarmed, allocated parking.



**SEDGELEY
69A WOLVERHAMPTON
ROAD**

£625 pcm

Modern detached house ■ hall, lounge, kitchen with integrated appliances ■ three bedrooms ■ bathroom with fitted suite inc shower ■ garage, rear garden, c/h, d/g, alarmed.



**DUDLEY
249 WRENS NEST ROAD**

£550 pcm

Modern mid town house ■ lounge, g/wc, breakfast kitchen with modern fitted units ■ three bedrooms built in storage to master, bathroom ■ front/rear garden, two parking spaces, c/h, d/g.



**WOMBOURNE
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Modern new apartment in the centre of the Village ■ lounge area with modern kitchen recess with integrated appliances ■ one bedroom, bathroom with shower ■ allocated secure parking, c/h, d/g, alarmed.



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<p>EDUCATED PETS WELCOME</p> <p>Willenhall - Fletchers Road</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Extended three bed semi detached house ★GCH & DG ★Two reception rooms ★Downstairs WC ★Nicely presented rear garden ★Educated pets welcome <p>£575pcm</p>	<p>Willenhall Devon Road</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Traditional three bed semi ★Unfurnished ★GCH & DG ★Available ★Fitted dining kitchen immediately ★Sun Room ★Sitting room <p>£525pcm</p>	<p>Bilston Millcroft</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Three bed town house ★Lounge ★Bathroom ★Fitted kitchen ★Garage <p>£525pcm</p>	<p>Coseley Rowan Crescent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Three bed semi ★Unfurnished ★Fitted Kitchen ★Available ★Garage & ORP ★ORP immediately <p>£500pcm</p>	
<p>Wednesfield Griffiths Drive</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Traditional mid terrace house ★Three bedrooms ★GCH & DG. ★Lounge ★Spacious kitchen diner ★Kitchen with cooker <p>£495pcm</p>	<p>Willenhall Clothier Street</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Three bedroomed house ★Fitted bathroom with shower ★GCH & DG ★Unfurnished <p>£475pcm</p>	<p>Tipton Darbys Way</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Attractive first floor two bed apartment ★Sitting room, dining room area ★Hall, lounge ★Fitted kitchen with oven & hob ★Bathroom with shower <p>£475pcm</p>	<p>Tipton Sycamore Road</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Two bed semi detached house ★Breakfast kitchen ★Bathroom with ★GCH. Alarmed ★Bath & shower <p>£475pcm</p>	
<p>Dudley Hilderic Crescent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Two bed maisonette ★Lounge with coal fire ★Fitted kitchen ★GCH. ORP ★Bathroom with bath and shower ★Rear garden. <p>£475pcm</p>	<p>Tipton Rugeley Close</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Two bed second floor apartment ★Quiet cul-de-sac location ★Fully fitted kitchen. DG ★Lounge with patio doors ★Bathroom with shower ★Communal gardens. ORP <p>£475pcm</p>	<p>Wolverhampton Wolverhampton Road East</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★GF two bed flat ★Lounge with ★Bathroom with feature fireplace ★Bath & shower <p>£450pcm</p>	<p>Wednesfield Bickford Road</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Three bedroomed house ★Separate dining room ★Lounge ★Fitted kitchen ★Downstairs bathroom with shower <p>£450pcm</p>	
<p>Willenhall Regent Street</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Two bed end terraced house ★Two reception rooms ★Fitted kitchen ★Bathroom with shower ★Lounge ★GCH <p>£450pcm</p>	<p>Bilston Bunkers Hill Lane</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Three bed semi detached ★Rear lobby with shower ★Lounge <p>£450pcm</p>	<p>West Bromwich Brickhouse Lane</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Two bed semi detached house ★Recently modernised & redecorated ★Lounge, separate dining room ★Newly fitted kitchen with utility area ★Newly fitted bathroom with shower <p>£450pcm</p>	<p>Willenhall Gipsy Lane</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Two bed detached bungalow ★CH & DG ★Unfurnished ★Redecorated and refurbished. ★Bathroom with separate shower <p>£450 ppcm</p>	
<p>Tipton Grace Road</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Two bed ground floor apartment ★Lounge ★Fitted kitchen ★Bathroom ★ORP <p>£450pcm</p>	<p>Willenhall Leveson Street</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Spacious three bed terraced house ★Fitted kitchen ★Lounge <p>£425pcm</p>	<p>Tipton Bonneville Close</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★One bedroom first floor flat ★Lounge with Juliette balconies ★GCH & DG ★Fitted kitchen <p>£425 ppcm</p>	<p>Dudley Fourwinds Road</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★Ground floor two bed flat ★Lounge with ★Shower room, separate WC ★Fitted kitchen with oven & hob ★Small rear garden <p>£425pcm</p>	<p>Wolverhampton Lickeywood Road</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★First floor one bed flat ★Lounge ★Bathroom with shower <p>£400pcm</p>
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Estate agent Jon Stanier is handling the sale of this link-detached property in Baxter Road, Brierley Hill

Home is on the market for offers around £155,000

OFFERS around £154,950 are being invited for an extended three-bedroom link detached home in Baxter Road, Brierley Hill.

The property provides well planned, gas centrally heated and double glazed, family accommodation, and briefly comprises hall, lounge, dining area, kitchen, family/garden room, downstairs wet/shower room with wc, three bedrooms and bathroom.

There is also a side garage, lawned rear gardens and driveway for three to

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Plumbing

The garden room/sun room is 9ft 2in by 8ft 11in with patio doors to the rear garden, the lobby laundry area has plumbing for automatic washing machine and the wet room/shower has

an electric shower, low level wc and wall mounted wash hand basin.

On the first floor are three bedrooms and a refitted bathroom with panel bath with shower over and screen, pedestal wash hand basin and low level wc.

Outside the side garage is 15ft 9in by 7ft 10in, while the front driveway is set back from the cul-de-sac behind a wide driveway providing off road parking and a shaped garden area.

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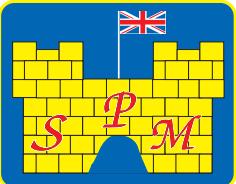
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Your essential guide to the world of motoring compiled by Motoring Editor Sharon Walters

Nissan engine to provide power for the DeltaWing

GETTING involved in motorsport is a sure-fire way of boosting the profile of your production car range – which is why all the premium players have a finger in some sort of racing or rallying pie.

The trouble is, motorsport is a very expensive business, and blasting out fastest laps doesn't really chime with the greener approach to motoring that most manufacturers want to promote.

This week, however, Nissan announced its partnership in the DeltaWing concept,

By David Banner

an experimental race car that will be taking part in the Le Mans 24 Hours this year.

Strictly speaking, the DeltaWing won't be competing – it is not eligible for outright honours – but instead has been awarded a place by the Automobile Club de l'Ouest (ACO), the organisers of the legendary race.

It will run out of Garage 56, a spot reserved for experimental cars.

Nissan's major involvement is providing the motive power; its 1.6-litre direct-inject

tion turbocharged engine, already seen in the Juke road car, will power the DeltaWing.

Tuned to 300bhp, it will still be providing half as much power as the front-runners, but crucially use half as much fuel.

Yet the advanced delta-wing aerodynamics (seen on planes such as Concorde and the Vulcan) promises outright lap times that will be on par with the LMP2 runners.

Paul Willcox, senior vice president, Nissan in Europe, says: "Nissan is a very innovative, forward-thinking company prepared to take a risk or two."

"And exactly the same applies to Nissan DeltaWing. Our involvement in the project shows the boldness of Nissan from an engineering and innovation mindset."

The only shame is that the DeltaWing has to run under the banner of an experiment. It would be even more exciting if it were allowed to compete on level terms and secured an impressive finish, all the while using less fuel, fewer tyres and making fewer pit stops. That really would be an example of racing improving the road car.



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Berlingo leads the way in high cube van field

IN THE high cube F1 van segment (up to 2,500kg gvw), Citroën's Berlingo has beaten its rivals to gain top spot for the first two months of 2012.

During January and February, Citroën sold 1,345 Berlingos to take the leading position – and an amazing 24.1 per cent share – of this very competitive sector.

Scott Michael, Citroën's Commercial Vehicle Operations Manager, commented: "When the economy is facing a tough time and money is tight, its quality and low running costs that tempt buyers to invest in new vans. The Berlingo provides all the quality, low whole life costs and versatility the

market demands, as its sector leadership shows in the opening months of 2012. Euro 5 Berlingo sales for January and February 2012 were 9.6 per cent ahead of the second place manufacturer, 11 per cent ahead of the third place contender and more than outsold the fourth and fifth place manufacturers combined."

"The Berlingo's market appeal will only get stronger when the latest updated models go on sale next month. The 2012 model Berlingo is even more economical and has even lower emissions, something which will really give buyers something extra to think about when choosing their vans in this highly competitive sector," Michael added.

The 2012 Berlingo range, which

makes its CV Show debut in April, is the most versatile high cube van range available in the UK. It is offered, dependent on model, with a choice of three trim levels and five powertrains (1 petrol/4 diesel).

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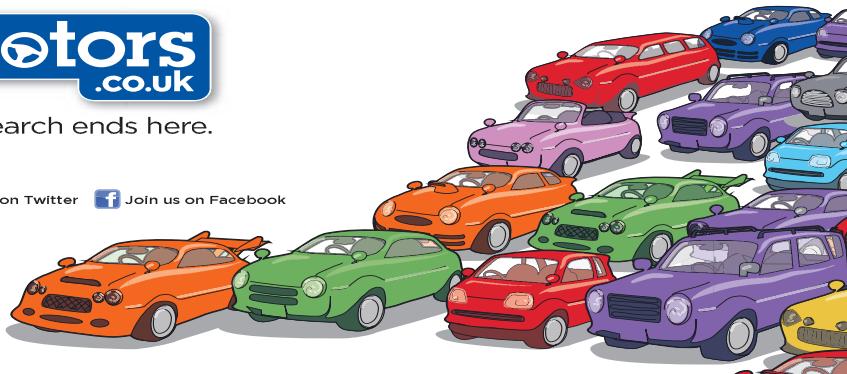
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The club will host their community day before Saturday's game. All children will go in free to the game on Saturday, while general admission is £5.

Entertainment has been laid on for 1pm. Outside the ground, there will be a tombola, fairground stalls, inflatable slides and a bouncy castle, with the forecast good for warm weather.

Then, on the Sunday, Stourbridge Old Boys will face Aston Villa All Stars at 2pm in a charity game for Callum Loveridge.

Callum broke four bones in his neck and severed his spinal chord after BMX bike stunt went wrong two years ago. The teenager from Norton was left paralysed from the neck down. The proceeds from the game will be donated to him.

Turning out for Stourbridge will be the club's manager Gary Hackett, his assistant Jon Ford, coach Mark Clifton, and board member Andy Bullingham.

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Britannia	8	4	1	3	30	18	42
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B Hill Snooker B	7	5	0	2	27	17	38
The Grange A	7	4	2	2	25	17	35
Ivy House	7	3	2	2	22	17	34
The Crown	7	3	3	1	22	20	31
White Swan	7	2	3	2	21	21	29
The Brades	8	2	3	3	21	27	28
Rockery Tavern	7	2	2	3	19	22	26
Elite Bar	7	2	2	3	20	22	25
Cosmo Tavern	8	3	4	4	20	28	28
Wheatsheaf A	8	2	0	6	19	29	23
The Grange B	8	2	1	5	17	31	23
Wheatsheaf B	7	1	2	4	13	29	17
3 Crown	8	0	8	7	41	7	7

Killer League

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B Hill Snooker B	7	6	1	8
Ivy House	7	6	1	12
Cosmo Tavern	6	6	2	12
HHLC	8	5	1	12
Wheatsheaf A	8	6	2	12
The Crown	7	5	2	10
B Hill Snooker A	8	5	3	10
Bluebells	8	4	4	8
Elite Bar	7	3	4	8
The Grange A	7	3	4	6
White Swan	7	3	4	6
Britannia	8	3	5	6
3 Crown	8	3	5	6
Rockery Tavern	7	2	5	6
The Grange B	8	2	6	4
Wheatsheaf B	7	1	5	6
The Brades	8	1	7	2

DK into play-offs after four-try victory

Dudley Kingswinford 24 Newport 0

DUDLEY KINGSWINFORD secured a home play-off place in National League Three Midlands with this fine win against a strong Newport side.

Their likely opponents at Heathbrook are Lancashire side Rossendale.

Newport put up stern resistance but were well beaten up front in the set scrums and struggled to cope with free-flowing rugby that swept the home side into a 19-0, three-try lead at the break.

DK added a fourth try just after half-time and despite a big effort by the visitors in the last 25

minutes, the DK cover defence ensured there was just no way through.

This was easily the most physical game seen at Heathbrook this season, though mostly played in the right spirit. The DK front five were tremendous throughout in front of a 500-plus crowd.

The home side took the lead seven minutes into the game. Two big tackles from Stefan Thorp and James Jefferson saw the ball passed wildly under pressure for the watchful Jon Tideswell to

intercept and sprint over in the corner for an unconverted try.

Newport second row Duncan Kelly was yellow-carded after 10 minutes for tackling off the ball and a minute later DK scored the try of the game. Quick ball from Jordan Brookes and Jon Higgins put Stefan Shillingford away for a strong break through the middle.

He fended off a couple of tackles before flicking the sweetest of passes behind his back to James Jefferson, coming through at pace and an acute angle. He still had

plenty to do, but managed to elude two more tacklers over 30m before scoring. Higgins converted.

DK scored a third try after 15 minutes. Fluently passing put Pete Knight in space and he drew a defender before handing on to Ollie Shakespeare for the big man to score in the corner. Higgins' fine conversion made it 19-0.

Newport came out for the second half with renewed belief but DK scored a fine fourth try in the 48th minute to earn the bonus point.

A smooth attack led by Higgins put the dangerous Shillingford into space. He shredded the cover

and put Matt Farrington away with an inside pass for the winger to have 30m to the line.

Things got worse for Newport when centre Tomasi Tamani received a straight red card on 51 minutes for a spear tackle.

Yet the visitors flung themselves even harder into the fray and had the better of the last 20 minutes.

The tackles were flying in thick and fast from both sides. DK had Gareth Bown sin-binned for illegal holding after 69 minutes but, despite the visitors' big late effort, the DK rearguard were equal to the task.

Football academy just for the girls

STOURBRIDGE College is to launch a new football academy for girls this autumn – aimed at providing a "level playing field" for women in sport.

The college believes the initial will be the first soccer academy solely for girls in the region.

The academy, to be launched in September, will be based at the college's new Centre of Sporting Excellence at Brintons Field in Tipton Avenue, Kidderminster.

The college is investing a total of around £1m in the centre after acquiring the 40-acre site, formerly owned by Brintons Carpets.

The land is now home to academies for golfing and boxing, as well as football, and the college is refurbishing the building there ready for the autumn term.

College staff are encouraging female school leavers who are currently playing the game to take up a position on a sports course.

The college says it will allow girls to continue with their education and bag a qualification while being able to play football at the same time.

Stella Raphael-Reeves, director of sporting excellence at Stourbridge College, said: "We want to provide a level playing field for women in sport and are looking for players to join us from September."

Karate ace Tony makes grade again

STOURBRIDGE karate ace Tony Harvey has won his third dan black belt – 16 years after his last grade award.

Harvey runs Stourbridge Wado Ryu Karate with fellow instructor Paul Leonard.

The 44-year-old received his award from Brian Seabright, seventh dan of the British Karate Association at their headquarters in Manchester.

"He has spent the last 16 years dedicated to teaching others," said Leonard.

"Proof that it is not all about obtaining your next grade as quickly as possible but more about improving one's skill level and the dedication to the life study of ancient art."



Jason Welborn celebrates his Midlands welterweight title success at Wolverhampton Civic Hall

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Record-breaking athlete Nancy Hitchmough

Two new records for star Nancy

ATHLETE Nancy Hitchmough set two women's 60-age group records at the British Masters indoors championship in London.

The Dudley and Stourbridge Harriers star ran with younger age groups in the 1500m at the weekend.

She took nearly five seconds off the existing record, finishing second in the race in a time of five minutes 17.93 seconds.

The following day, racing in the W60 800m, Hitchmough led from start to finish.

Hitchmough won in a time of 2min 37.67sec, knocking three seconds off the previous record.

She is now looking forward to the Masters World Championships being held in Finland next month.

Lye ease to win against strugglers

Bustleholme 1 Lye Town 2
GOALS from Damian Whitcombe and Stuart Lewis gave Lye Town victory at West Midlands Premier League strugglers Bustleholme.

But, for the opening half-hour, any neutral spectator would have struggled to identify the team in the bottom three.

There was plenty of good football played in the middle of the park, but goalmouth action was rare.

Lye scored in the second half when Whitcombe headed into the roof of the net from a corner.

Bustleholme pushed forward to find an equaliser but were hit on the break when Phil Ellersby got the ball caught under his feet and Lewis finished at the second attempt.

Bustleholme pulled one back with a smart finish from Howard Baker.

DUDLEY

Kingswinford

player-coach

Jon Higgins

has warned

his side:

"You have won nothing yet," despite nailing down a play-off place.

DK promoted last season, have second place in the bag after a 24-0 home win over Newport in National League Three Midlands last weekend, writes Craig Birch.

Higgins' men still have faint hopes of winning the title and go to league leaders Rugby Lions on Saturday for an all-or-

nothing showdown. If Neil Back's undefeated Lions win, they will be confirmed as champions, while DK already have the play-off spot to fall back on.

Higgins wants to focus on the promotion showdown after low-key celebrations following the weekend victory.

He said: "It was a relatively quiet affair, really. Nothing is won yet and we are pretty rounded, we know that and we said so beforehand.

"We have been on the verge of

grabbing that play-off spot for a few weeks now, so there was almost an air of inevitability about it.

"We have done the first part of the job, securing a home play-off, and now we need to go ahead and try to win it. It's another stage accomplished but it's by no means the end."

Higgins and fellow boss Pete Knight make the trip on Saturday without hooker Luke Greenwood and No 8 Jon Tideswell, who both have ham-

string strains. But flanker Ian Langford could be back after two games out with a knee injury.

Higgins doesn't want to hand over the title to their rivals, who beat them earlier in the season.

He said: "It's a difficult one, we are not sure of the best way of going about it. We have got a couple of injuries, so we are not going to risk them. They need to win to secure the title and certainly won't be letting up."

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Geddes is spot-on to rescue a point

Arlesey Town 1 Stourbridge 1
STOURBRIDGE needed a hotly-disputed last-gasp penalty converted by Sean Geddes to salvage a point from their first ever visit to Arlesey Town.

A hard, bobbly pitch was not conducive to good football and the first half of this Evo-Stik Southern Premier game was a poor spectacle.

However, the Bedfordshire hosts had a great opportunity inside the first minute as Stefan Bailey slipped the ball through the middle and a stumble from Nathan Bennett allowed Jordan Patrick to accelerate clear only to lash his shot high and wide.

Stourbridge made little headway in the first half, but almost took the lead in the 13th minute when a hopeful ball from Drew Canavan was pursued by new signing Marcus Palmer and the bounce caught out defender Ryan Frater and home keeper Nick Bussey.

Palmer did well to keep the ball in play but, from close to the left-hand byline, he was unable to find the net from a tight angle as Bussey smothered the shot.

A better second half followed and Stourbridge were first to threaten with Canavan's 25-yard shot drawing a save from Bussey.

However, two minutes later Gary Hackett's men found themselves trailing.

Aston Goss fed the ball inside from the right flank to Patrick who hit a crisp low shot from outside the box and into the far bottom corner of the net.

Stourbridge went close when Sam Rock's shot squirmed through Bussey's fingers and hit a post.

The Glassboys got a stoppage-time penalty for a push which the hosts claimed was committed outside the area. Geddes made no mistake.

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NEW-BOYS ARE SET FOR THEIR DEBUTS



The 2012 Dudley Heathens side face the camera. From left, chairman Nigel Pearson, Darryl Ritchings, James White-Williams, Byron Bekker, team manager Will Pottinger, captain Adam Roynon, Tom Perry, Dan Greenwood, Ashley Morris and club partner Gary Patchett. Picture: John Hipkiss Photography

Jason proves he's too mighty for Flinn

POWER beat skill to ensure that Dudley's Jason Welborn is still the Midlands welterweight champion after a career-best fifth-round stoppage over Coventry's James Flinn.

After relying on the boxing skills that had taken him to Wales international honours and a national ABA senior semi-final, the strength of Dudley's Welborn told when the going got tough for Flinn at Wolverhampton Civic Hall.

A right hand from Welborn put Flinn on his knees. He managed to dodge the ensuing onslaught before getting caught again with the same shot.

It was a blow from which the former English title challenger couldn't recover.

Following the decisive moment, two minutes and 13 seconds into round five, his hopes of making it big now lie in tatters.

The British Boxing Board of Control has promised a full investigation after the main bout saw one round end early with challenger Enzo Maccarinelli

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